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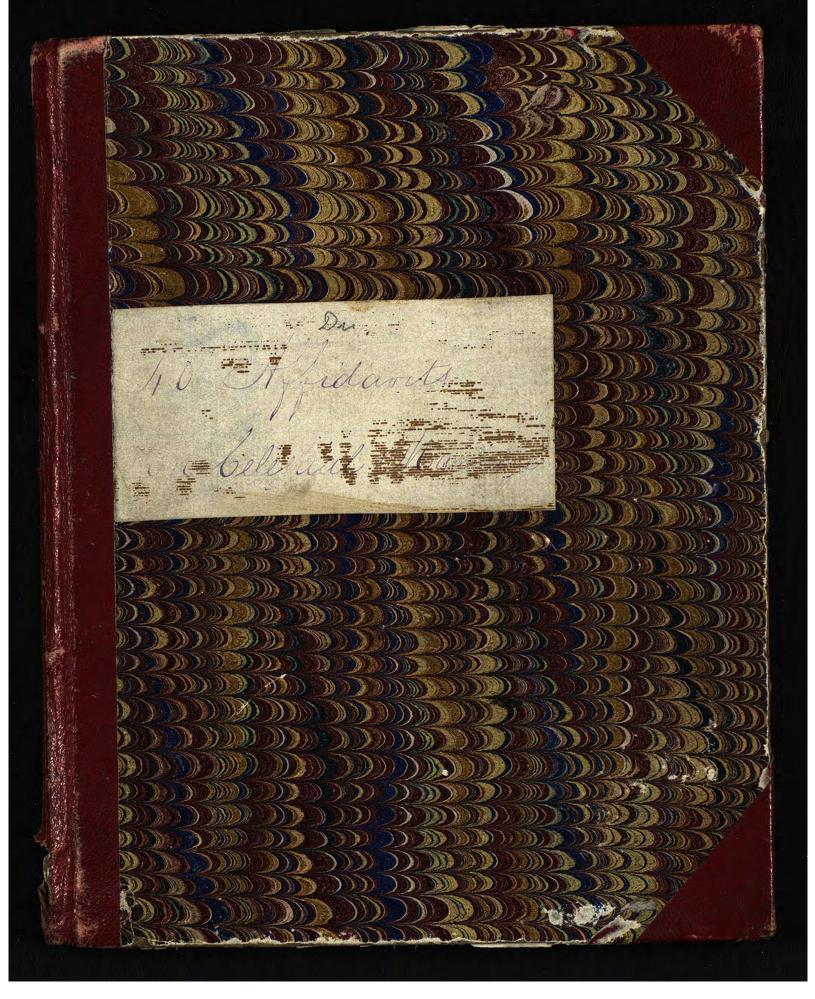
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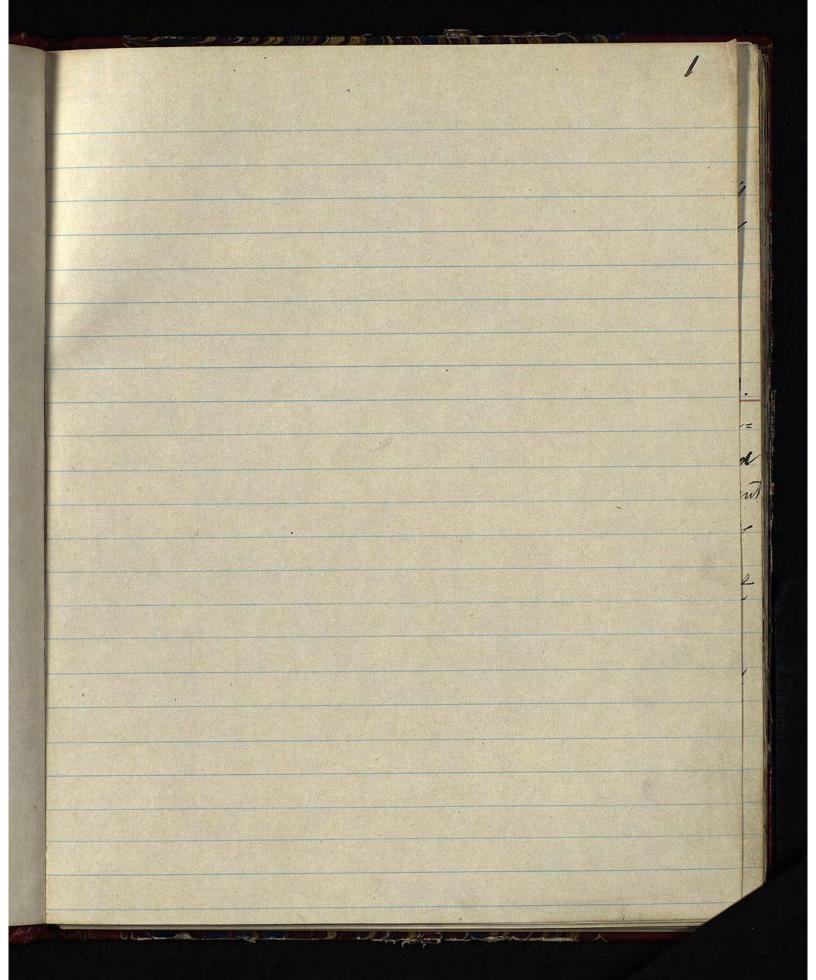
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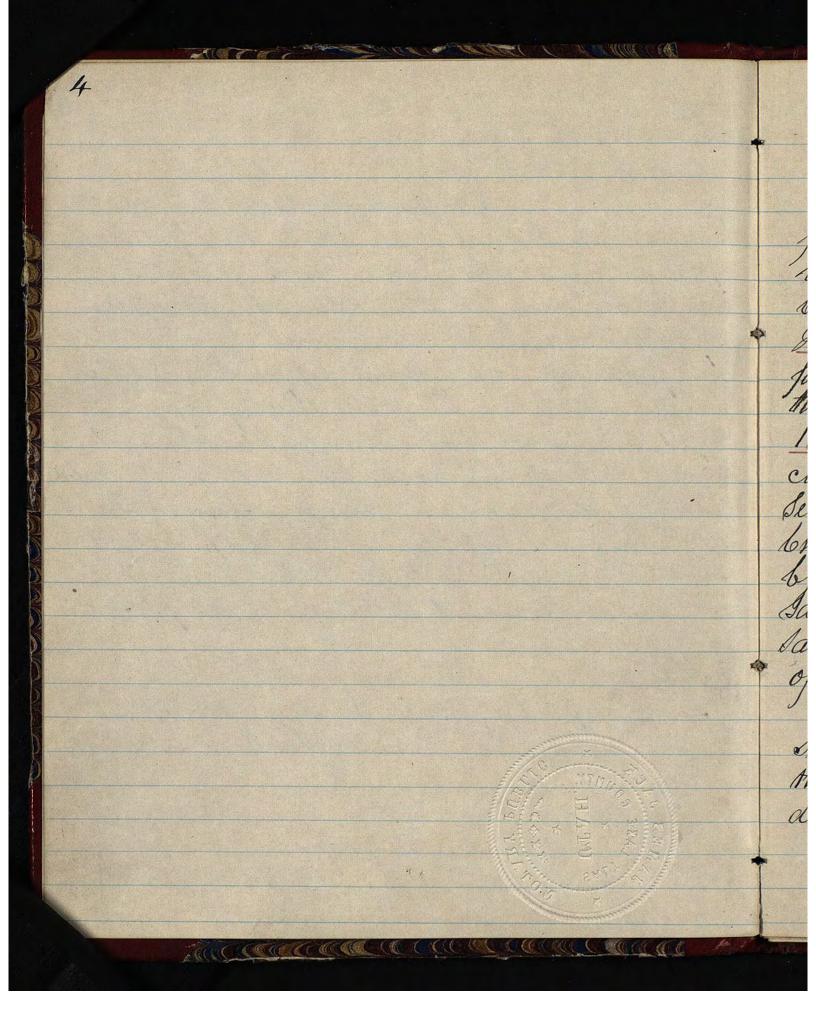
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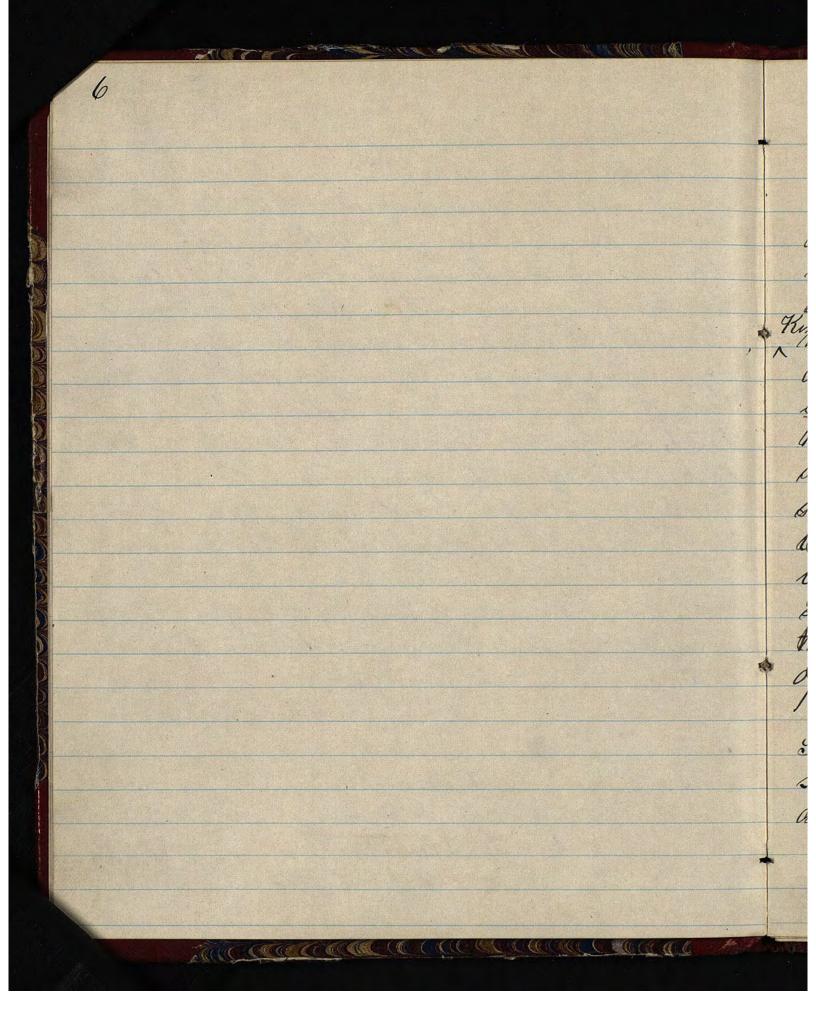


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Terrisory of Utah 255. Be it remembered that on this twenty- sixth day of June A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a notary-Public in and for said county, Joseph Bates Noble, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith, that, on the fifth day of April A.D. 1841, at the bity of Nauvod, County of Han= cock, State of Illinois, he married or Sealed Louisa Beaman, to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, according to the order of belestrick Marriage revealed to the Said Joseph Smith Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Joseph Bates Noble the day froch B, Noble and year first above written James Jack Motany Public



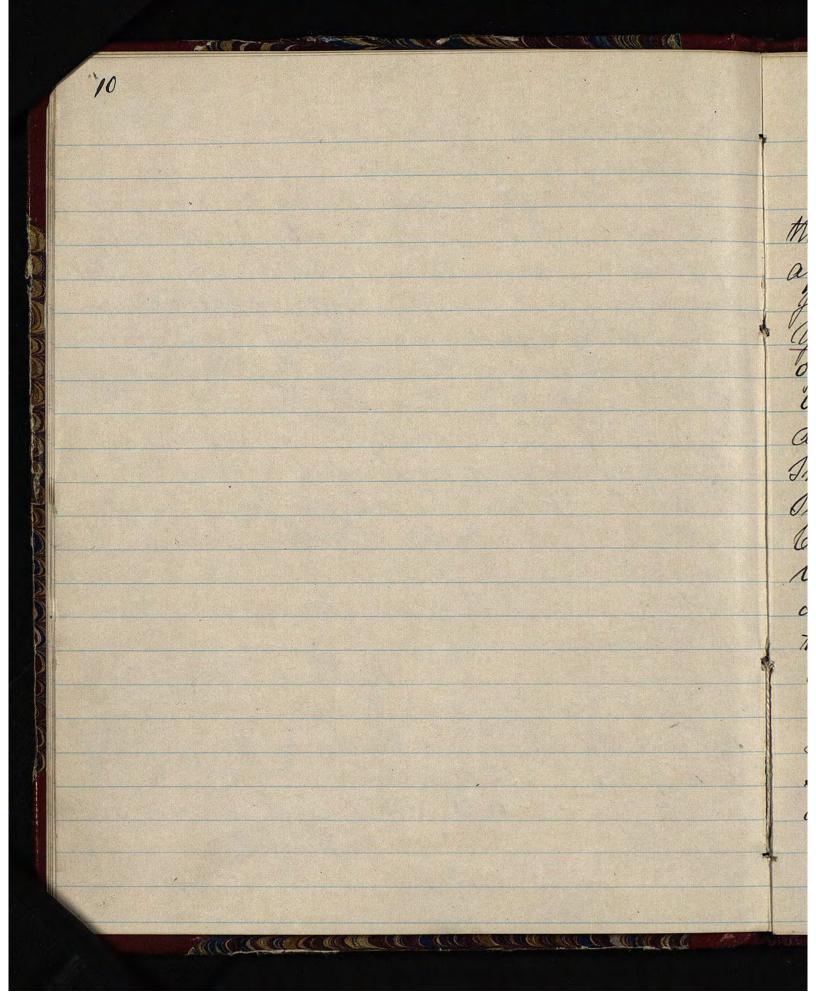
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Territory of Utah S. S. Be it remembered that on this first day of May A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me Chas Smith Probate Judge for Said bounty Tresenda Lathrop Heuntington Rimbell was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath saith, that on the eleventh day of December A.D. 1841, at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Jaseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints by Dinick B. Huntington, a High-Priest in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage; in the presence of Fanny Maria Huntington Presendu L. H. Kimball Inbsorbed and Sworn to by the. Said Tresenda L. H. Rimball the day and year first above written E. Smith Probate Judge

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Serritory of Wath Isl. 136 A remembered that on This first day of May, A. D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Clias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Buth Vose Sayers Who was by me Sworn in due form of law and whon her oath South that on day of February A.D. 1843 at The City of Nauvos Hounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, The was marriad or Sealed to Joseph Smith Fresident of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, by Hyrum Smith, frie Diding Patriarch of Said Church, according to the laws of the Same, regulating marriage, in the presence of. Ruth I. Layers Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Buth V. Sayers, the day and year firstabove written Ellmith Probate Judge



Servitory of Utah 38. 18e it vernembered that on this first day of May A.D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Clias Smith Probate Judge for Said County, Emily Dow, Partridge young, who was by me Swom in due form of law and upon her outh South, that on the fourth day of March A.D. 1843 at the billy of Nanovo, County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints by Heber & Kimball, are of the Twelve Apostles of Said Church, according to the laws of the same regulating man. eage, in the presence of Emily D. S. Moung Subscribed and Sworn to by the. Said Emily D. F. young, the day and year first above written, Probate Judge

Territory of Tetah 35. Be it remembered that on This Jirst day of May A.D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Elias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Emily Dow Partridge Young, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath saith that on the eleventh day of May A.D. 1843 at the leity of Nauvo, County of Hanesch State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Juseph Smith, President of the church of Jesus & hrist of Latter Day Saints, by James Adams, a High-Priest in Said Church; according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage, in presence of Emma (Hald Smith, and Elija Maria Partridge (Syman) Emily D. F. young Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Emily D. J. Young, the day and year first about Written Probate Judge

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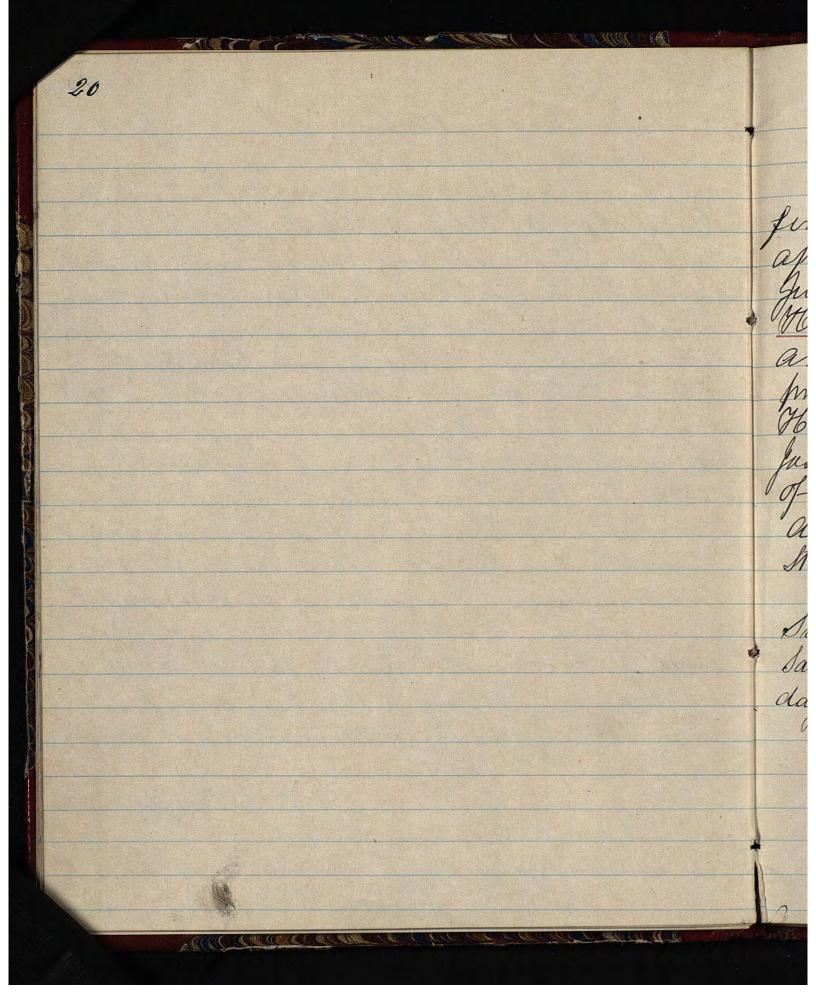
Serritory of Wat Ist. County of Salt Lake } SS. Be it remembered that on this first day of May A.D. 1869, personally appeared beforeme, Clias Smith, Probate gudge for Said County, Marinda Nancy Johnson Hyde, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her outh South that on the - day of May A.D. 1843, at the lity of Nauvo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, The wasmanied or Sealed to Jaseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, by Brigham Joung, President of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, of Said Church, according to the laws of the Same, regulating marriage; in the presence of Elija Maria Partridge Lyman, and Emily Dow Partnege yaung. M. S. P. Horde Subscribed and Swom to by the

Subscribed and swom to by the Said M. N. J. Hoyde, the day and year first above written

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Serritory of tetate 38. Be it remembered that on This first day of May A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me clias Smith Trobate Judge for Said County, Rhoda Richards, Who was by me Sworn in due form of low and upon her outh saith, that on the twelfthe day of June A.D 1843 at the bety of Nanvo, Countrof Hancock State of Allinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith , President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Jaints, by Willard Michards, one of the Twelve sportes of Said Church, according to the laws of the same, regulating marriage in the presence of Who da Puchards Smith Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Rhoda Richards, the day and year first above written) E. Smith Probate Judge

Cerritory of Utah Ss. Be it remembered that on this first day of May A.D. 1869 personally Uppeared before me Elias Smith Probate Judge for Said County, Dimick B. Hun= Tington, who was by me swom in due form of law, and whon his oath South, that on the 27th day of October A.D. 1841, at the bity of Nauvoo, bounty of Hancock State of Illinois, he marriedor Dealed Zina D. Huntington to Joseph Smith President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and also on the eleventh day of December A.D. 1841 at the Same place he married or Sealed, Pris= endia L. Huntington to the Said Jaseph Smith, according to the laws of said Church, regulating marriage, in presence of Fanny M. Huntington, D. B. Hunlington Subscribed and Sworn to by The Said D. B. Huntington, the day and year first above written. Esmith probate Judge



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Cerritory of Tetath 38. Be it remembered that on this first day of May A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Elias Smith Probate Judge for Said County, Fanny Maria Huntington, who was by me Sworn and on her outh saith that she was present when Zina D. and Presendia L. Huntington were married or Sealed to Juseph Smith President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, at the bity of Nauvo, County of Hancock State of Illinois, in the fall of 1841. Farmy Maria Huntington Subscribed and Sworn to by the -Said Farmy Maria Huntington, the day and year firstabove written) Probate Judge

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Serritory of What 3 SS. Be it remembered that on This twentieth day of may a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a notary pub-lic of Said county Malissa Lott Willes, who was by me Swoon in due form of law and whon her oath South that, on the twentieth day of sept? A.d. 1842 at The City of Nauvoo County of Hanco= ek, State of Illenois She was married or sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Just Christ of Latter Day Saints, by Hyrum Smith the Presiding Patriarch of the Said Church according to the laws of the Same, oregulating marriage; in the presence of bornelius 9. Lott, and Termelia Lott, Malissa Lott Milles. Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Malissa (Lott) Willes the day and year first above written. James Jack Notary Public

Gerretory of Wah 3 S. Country of Salt-Luke 3 S. Be it rembered that on this Seventh day of June A. D. 1869, personally appeared before me, fames Jack, a notary public in and for Said County Chica Roxcy Snow, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith, that on the hoenty-ninth day of June A.D. 1842, at the leity of Nauvoo, country of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of lesus behrist of Latter Day Saints, by Brigham young, President of the Zuorum of The Indoe spostles of Said Church, according to The laws of the same regulating marriage, in The presence of Sarah M. Cleaveland, Eliza R. Prow Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Eliza Proxey Snow the day and year first above written. Jumes Jack I Hotay Public

26 w Territory of Utah \ bounty of Salt Lake \ S.

113e it remembered that on this fifteenth day of June A. S. 1869 personally appear red beforme me, James Jack, a Notary Puplic in and for said bounty, David Fullmer, who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon his oath saith; that on or about the twelfth with the High Council, (he being a member thereof) in Hyrum Smith's brick office in the bety of Nauvoo, Country of Hancock, State of Minois; Dunbar Wilson made enguire en relation to the Subject of a plurality of wives as there were rumors afloat respecting it, and he was satisfied there was something in those rumors, and he wanted to know what it was." Upon which the Said Hyrum Smith Stepped across the road to his residence and soon returned, bringing with him a copy of The revelation on celestial marriage given to Joseph Smith July twelfth A.D. 1843 and nead the Same to the High bouncil and bone testimony to its truth. The said David Julemer

28 further Saith that to the best of his memory and belief, the following named persons were present William Marks, Austin A. Cowles, Samuel Bent, A. Coutter George W. Harris, Dunbar Wilson, William Huntington, Levi Jackman, Aaron Johnson, Thomas Yrover, David Fullmer, James Allred, and Leonard Soby. and the Said David Fullmer further Saith, that Min Marks, Austin A. Cowles, and Leonard Soby were The only persons present who did not receive the Revelation and Testimony of Hyrum Smith and that all the others did receive it from the teaching and Testimony of the Said Hoyrum Smith. and further that the copy of Said Revelation on Celestial Marriage published in the Desert News Extra of September faurteenth A. D. 1852 is a true copy of The Subscribed and Sworn to Sythe Said David Fullmenth day & David Tullmenth day & David Tullmenth fames Jack

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Certificate I, Lovina Walker, hereby certify, that while I was living with Sunt Emma Smith, in Futton bely Fulton bo. Illinois, in the year 1846. that she told me, that she Emma Smith was present and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of Elija Partridge, Emily Partridge, Mariah Lawrence, and Sarah Lawrence to her husband, Joseph Smith, and that she gove her concent there to. Lovinia Walker We hereby switness that Lovina Walker made and Ligned the above Statement. Salt Lake bity, Salt Lake bo. What Territory of her own freewill and accord. Hyrum S. Walker Darah E. Smith Joseph F. Smith

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32 Gerntory of Utah \ SS. Be it remembered that on this Seventeenth day of June A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said bounty Desdemona Julemer Smith who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath, Saith, that on the day of July A. D. 1843 at the bity of Nauvoo, bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, by Brigham Young, Fresident of the Zuorum of the Twelve Apostes of Said Church according to the laws of the Same, regulating marriage, in the presence of Heber 6. Kimball. Desdermon Fullmer Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Desdemona Tullmer Smith the day and year first above written James Jack Motory Public

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34 Gerritory of Wah & SS. bounty of Salt Lake } SS. Be it remembered that on the ninteenth day of June A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me Elias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Mercy B. Thomp= Son, who was by me swom in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the eleventh day of August A. J. 1843 at the bity of Nauvoo, Country of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time to Hyrum Smith, Presiding Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, by Joseph Smith, Isesedent of the Same, accor. ding to the laws of Said Church negu= lating marriage. In the presence of her Sister Mary Smith. Menny M. Thompson Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Meercy 12. Thompson the day and year first above sovitten 6. Smith Prolite July

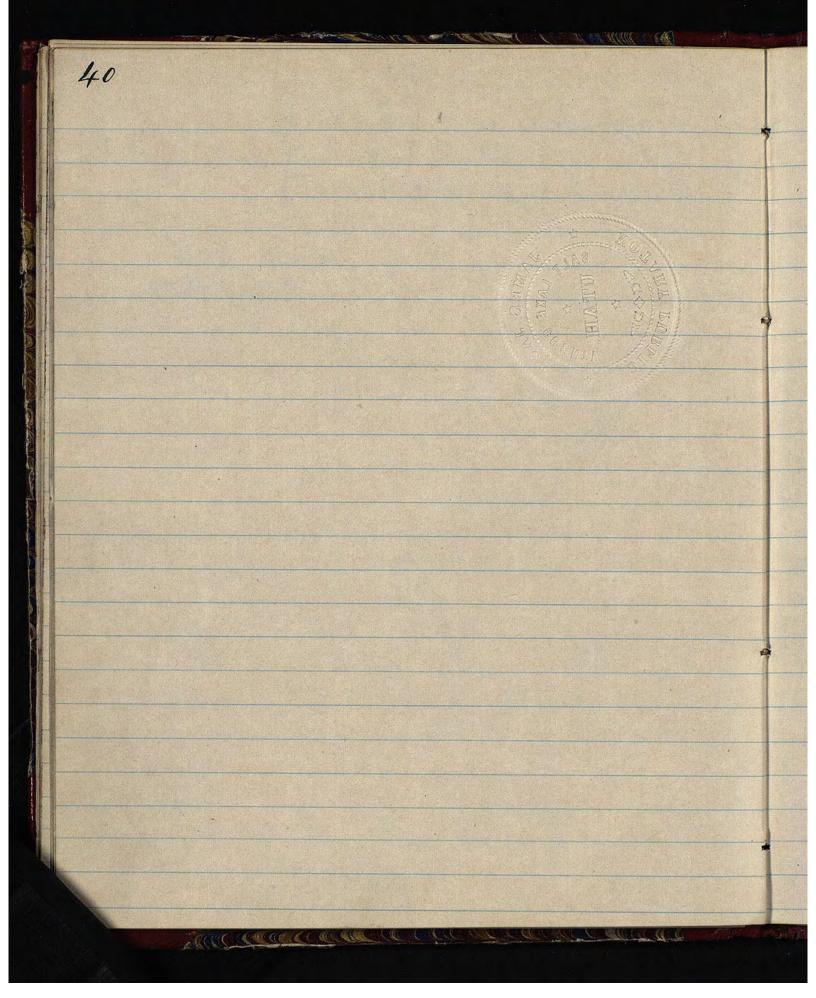
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36 Gerritory of Wtah ? Ss. bounty of Salt-Lake ? Be it remembered that on This ninteenth day of June A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me clias Smith Probate judge for Said County, Sarah Ann Kimball, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that on the twenty Seventh day of July, A. D. 1842 at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, by Newel R. Whitney, Fresiding Bishop of Said Church, according to The laws of the Same regulating marriage; in the presence of Elizabeth Ann Mitney, her mother. Durch A Binbull Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Sarah Ann Rimball theday and year first above written. Esmith Probate Judge

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38 Territory of that 3 st. Be it remembered that on this twenty sixth day of June A. S. 1869personally appeared before me James Jack a Natary Public in and for Said County, Joseph Bates Noble, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and repose his oath South that, in the fall of the year A.D. 1840 Joseph Smith, taught him the principle of Celestial marriage or a "plurality of wives", and that the said Jaseph Smith declared that he had received a Revelation from God on the subject, and that the Angel of the Lord had commanded him, Jaseph Smith) to move forward in the Said order of marriage, and further, that the Said Jaseph Smith, requested him for, Bates Noble to Step forward and assist him in carrying out the Said principle, Saying "in revealing this to you I have placed my life in your hands, therefore do not in an evil hour betray me to my enemies."

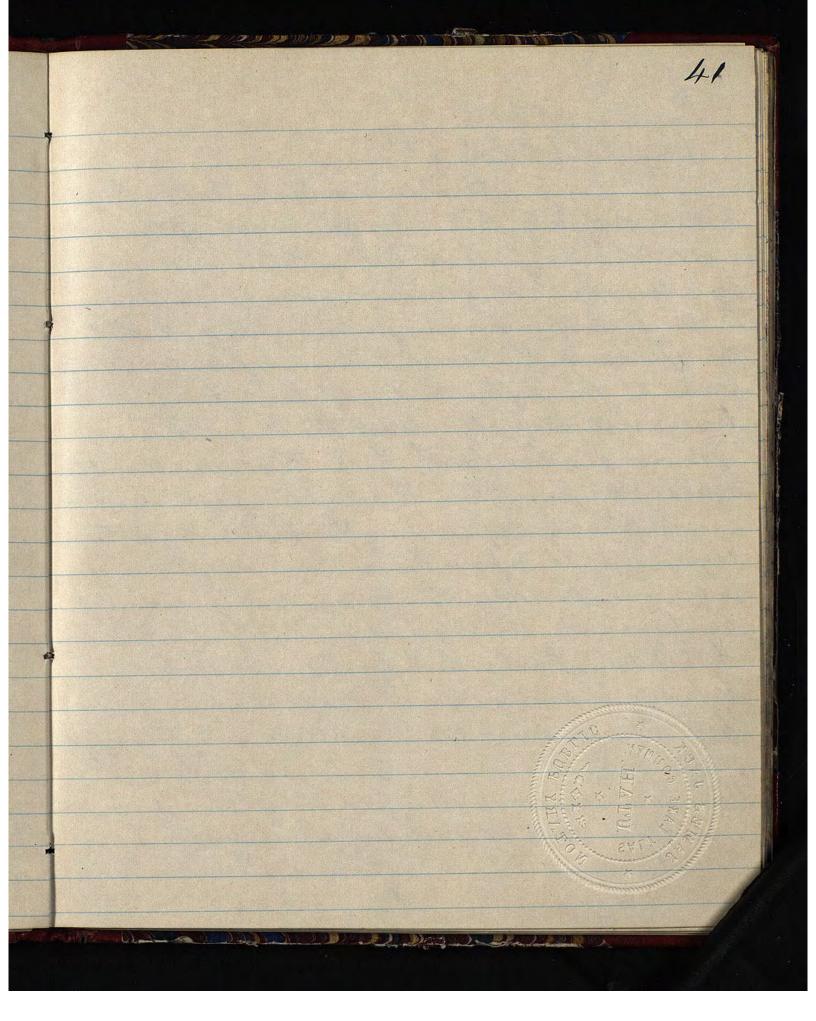
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42 Gerritory of Tetate } S.S. Be it remembered that on this Sixth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Natary Public in and for Said county That Grover who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon his oath saith that the affedavit of David Fullmer, before me James Jack, on the fifteenth day of June 1. 8. 1869. is True and correct, and the Said Thomas Grover further south that Hyrum Smith reasoned upon said Revelation for about on hour, clearly explaining the same, and Then enfained it upon said bouncil, to receive and acknowledge the same, or They would be danned, and further, that from the day that William Marks, A. A. Cawles and L. Soby refused to receive said Revelation as from God they continued to dwindle until they app = ostatied Thomas nove Subscribed and Sworn to by the said Thos grown theday & year aborgwitten) ames Gack THE COUNTY OF THE PARTY OF THE

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44 Serritory of Utah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this Sixth day of July A. S. 1869 personally app: lared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County Thomas grover of Davis County. Utah Territory, who was by me Swom in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith, that on the day of Aug= ust. A. D. 1843 Hyrum Smith, Patriarch, Sealed or married to him, by order of President Joseph Smith, two wives, vis. Caroline Whiting and Caroline 6. Hubbard, according to the prineiple and commandment contained in The Revelation on belestial marriage, given July 12- 4. 8. 1843. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Thomas Grover the day Thomas Grove and year first above written James Jack Motory Public

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46 County of Salt Lake } &S. Be it remembered that on this tenth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Mary Am young who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath South, that on The day of A.D. 184 in the bily of Nauvos, County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was sealed or married for time and all eternity, to PresidentBrig= ham Gaung, by the Patriarch Hyrum Smith, in the presence of the Prophet Joseph Smith Mary Ann young Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Mary Ann Young the day and year first above written) James Jack Molany Public

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48 this tenth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County, Lucy Ann D. Young, who was by me swonn in due form of law, and upon her of June A. D. 1842, in the bity of Narivos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, The was married or Sealed for time and all eternity to President Brigham young, by the Fraphet Joseph Smith, in the presence of Elder Willard Richards one of the Twelve. Lucy Ann, D, Foung. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Lucy Ann D. Young the day and year first above written James Jack Molary Public

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50 Gerritory of Utah 3 ss. Be it remembered that on this twelfthe day of July A. D. 1869 personally Public in and for said bounty, Augusta (Adams) Jang who was by me Swom in due form of low, and upon his oath saith that on the second day of November A. J. 1843, She was married or Sealed, for time and all eternity to Frest. Brigham young, by the Prophet Joseph Smith, in the bity of Nauvoo, bounty of Hancock State of Illinois, in the presence of Mary Ann Young, Fanny Murray, and Hamiet Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Augusta (Adams) Young augusta A young the day & yearfirst above written James Jack notary Public ZIZ UTAFIZ

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52 Gerritory of Wah Ss. Bounty of Salt Lake . Be it remembered that on this twelfth day of July A. D. 1869 pressonally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Augusta (Adams) young, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upporter oath Saith that on the Second day of November A.D. 1843 in the leity of Nauvoo, Country of Hancock, State of Illinois, She witnessed the marrying or Sealing of Fanny Mourray to President Joseph Smith, by Fresident Brigham Joung; Mary Amlyoung and Harriet book, being present. Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Augusta (Adams) Joing theday & Augusta A young. James Jack Public

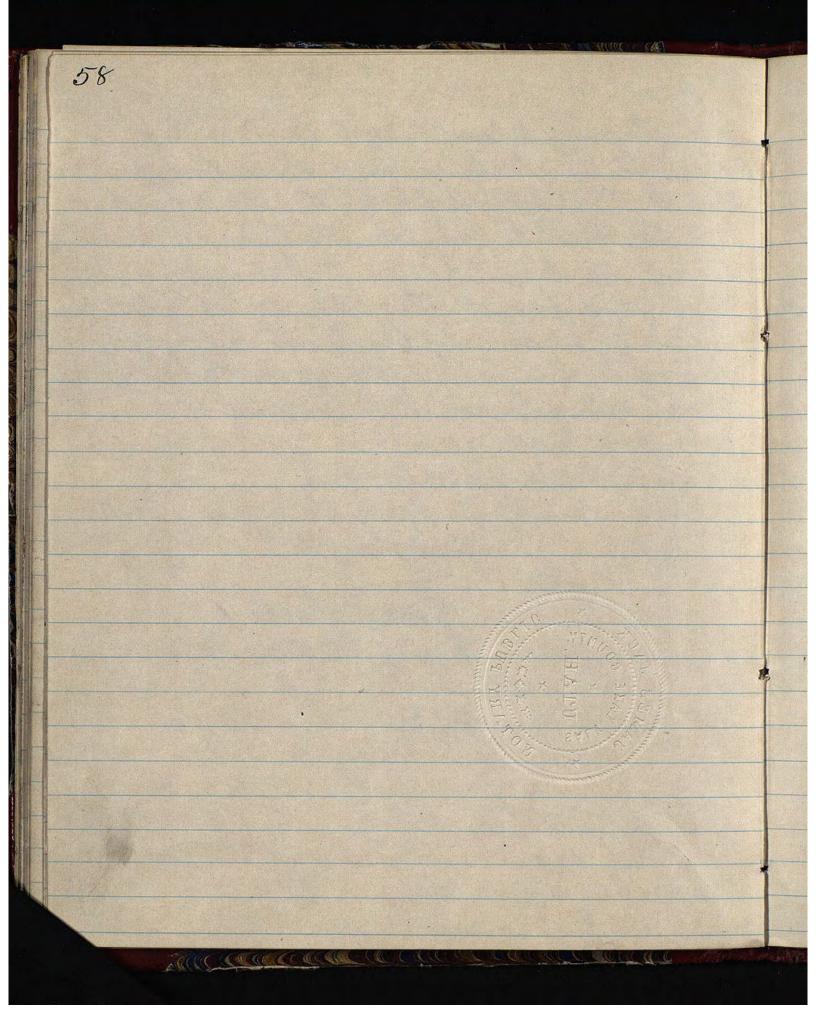
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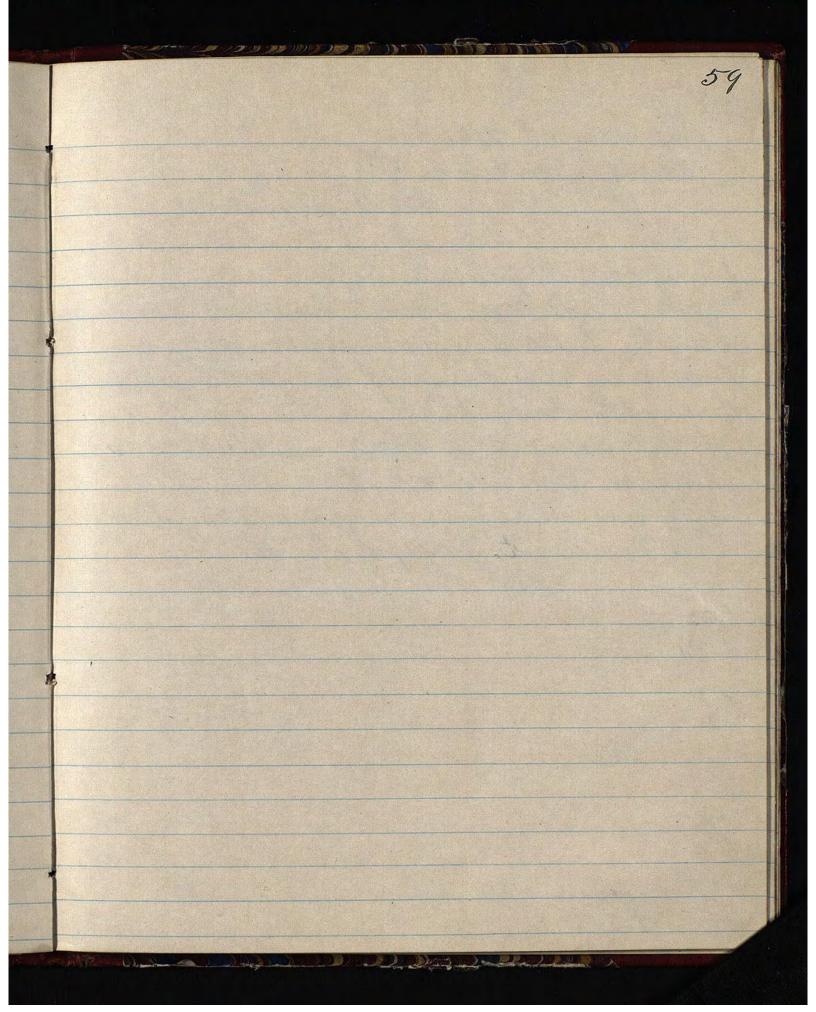
54 Territory of What \ss. Be it remembered that on this twelfth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Charles 6. Rich who was by me Sworn in due form of low and upon his oath saith that on the day of May A. D. 1844 as he was about starting on a mission to the State of Mechigan, Hyrum Smith, Patriarch, taught him the principle of polygamy or celestial marriage, and told him that when he should return from the Said Mission it would be his privelidge to take other wives. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Charles b. Rich the dayand & Charles C. Rich year first above written James Jack Motary Public THE COURT OF THE PARTY OF THE P

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56 Territory of Utah \ Ss. bounty of Salt Lake \ S. Be it remembered that on this, Twenty-Seccond of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me james Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said bounty John Pack who was by me Swom in due form of law and upon his oath Saith that on the day of Aug. Sent for him his wife and mother to come to the Said Hyrum Smith's house in the bety of Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, when The Said Hyrum Smith taught him his wife Julia, and his mother Philotte Tack The doctrine of belestial marriage, - that all former Covenants and Contracts in marriage would be sull and void after death, and that it was his privilege to have his wife sealed to him for time and for all eternity, and further that he had a right to act for his father, George Pack who was dead, that his father and mother might be sealed or married for time and

all eternity, also. and further that he received the doctrine as a Revelation from god n thro the Prophet Jaseph Smith, and further that the Said Hyrum Smith then and there Sealed to him his wife Julia (I ves) for time and for all eternity, and also Sealed or married his mother Phylotte (Green) to his father George Fack, he John Pack) acting for and in behalf of his father who was dead. Subscribed and Sworn to ne by the said John Pack the John Pack day and Year first above written James Jock notary Public id ilege tes id

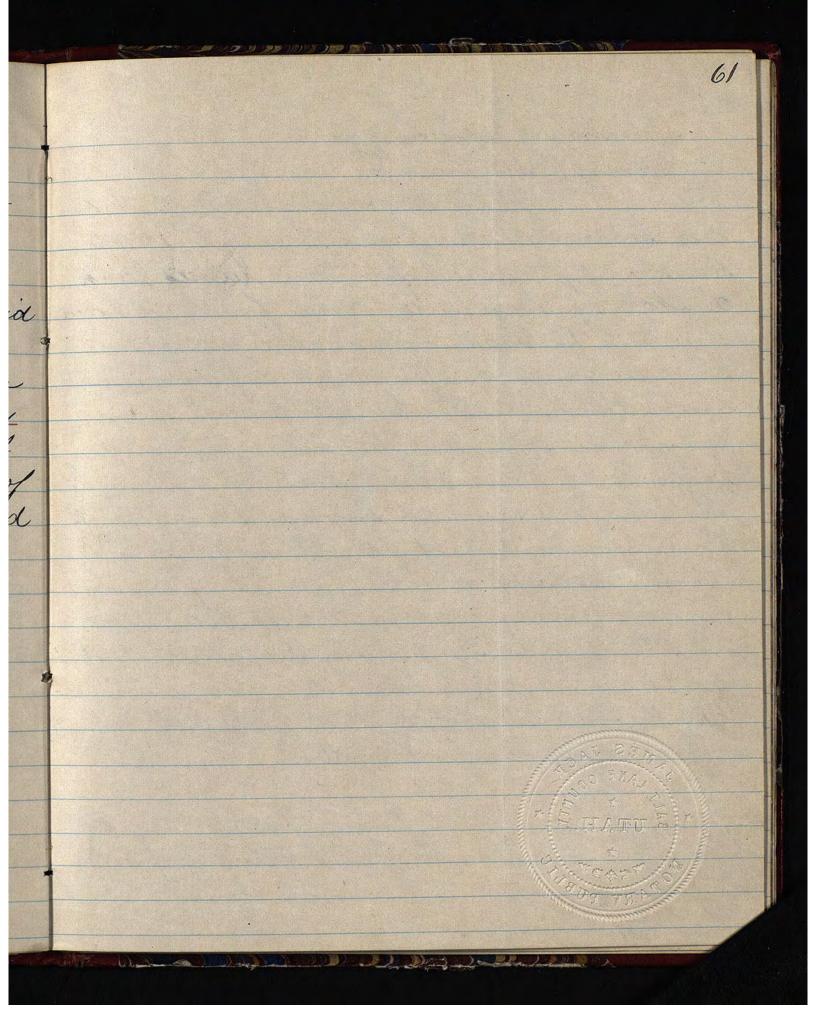




60 Territory of Tetah 388. Be it remembered that on this day of A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County Cylvid Lyon, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith that on the eighth day of February A. D. 1842, in the bily of Nauvoo, County of Hancock State of Illinois She was married or Sealed to President Joseph Smith by in the presence of

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62 Territory of Utah \ S.S. Be it remembered that on This Seccond day of August A.D. 1869 per-Sonally appeared before me, James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said bounty Elizabeth B. Fratt, who was by me Swom in due form of law, and upon her oath South that, on the twenty fourth day of July A. D. 1843, in the bity of Nauvoo bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, The was married or Sealed to Parley 9. Fratt for time and all eternity, by Jatriarch Hyrum Smith, in the presence of Mary Ann young, and Mary Ann Fratt, Mary Am Fratt being Sealed at the Sametime Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elizabeth B. Prate (Elizabeth B Prate) the day and year first written James Jack Notary Public THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY

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64 Territory of retain 3 ss. Be it remembered that on This Sixth day of August A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Many Ellen (Abel) Kimball, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that, on the day of A. D. 1844, at the bely of Nauvo country of Hancock, State of Illinois, The was present, and a witness to the marriage or Sealing of batherine blawson to Howard Egan, (who already had one wife) by Hyour Smith, Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Mary Ellen (Abel) Kimball Mary Ellen Himball the day and year first above written) James Jack Motary Public

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Territory of Utah Sol. Sol. Be it remembered that on this ninth day of August A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Lucy W. Kimball who was by me sworn in due form of law, and on her oath saith, that on the first day of May A. D. 1843, in the bity of Nauvos bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time and all eternity to the Prophet Joseph Smith, by William Clayton, a High Priest in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; in The presence of Elija Maria Partridge. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Lucy M. Kimball the day & Lowey. The Stimball and year first above written) James Jack Motary Public .

The following extract is taken from William blayton's Journal as pr. date. tus May 1 st (1843) A. M. at the Temple, at 10. red married Joseph to Lucy Walker. F.M. at Frest. Joseph's, he is gone out with Woodworth, he borrowed £ 20 of William Allen, I took Supper with him. Prest. paid \$20 to 1 Woodworth for Nauvoo House" 000 The above is a true copy of entry (as fr. date) in William blayton's Journal kept at the time. as witness our hands. Joseph F. Smith John Henry Smith Aug. 9. 1869) Salt Lake bety } John L. Smith

68 The following is an extract from Elder William blayton's Journal as pr. date Wednesday Aug. 16 th. 1843. This a. m. Joseph told me that since Emma came back from St. Louis, She had resisted the. principle [of plural marage] in toto, and he had to tell her he would relinguish all for her Sake, She Said She would give him Oliza and Emily Sartridge, but he knew if he took them she would pitch on him, and obtain a divorce and leave him, He however told me he should not relinguish anything. O' God deliver thy Servant from (this) inquitous Bondage! The foregoing is a true and correct copy of entry in William Clayton's Jour: nal, kept at the time as for date, as witnesseth our hands. Salt-Lake bily Jos. F. Smith Aug. 17-1869 John Henry Smith (Rott L. Campbell THE COURT OF THE PROPERTY OF T

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Territory of Utah Soll. County of Salt-Lake SS. Be it remembered that on this twenty-fourth day of August A. & 1849 personally appeared before me, fames Jack a Notary Public in and for Said bounty Amos Fielding who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon his oath Saith that in December A. D. 1843, on his arrival at Nauvoo, from a mission to England, he was informed that Joseph Smith had obta med a Revelation on belestial marriage, and on or about the 9th of Mar. A. D. 1844, while in Conversation with the Brophet, at the Mansion, a young laday passed through the room where they were sitting, when President Smith remarked, that is one of my wives." And further, on the 24th. day of Feb. A.D. 1844, in obedience to the requirement of the Trophet Joseph South he did volunteer to go west on the exploring expedition to Oregon's California Subscribed & Sworn to by the Amos Fielding Said Amor Fillding The day and & Gearfirst above written) James Jack Motory Public

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Gerritory of Utah Jss. Be it remembered that on this thirtieth day of August A. D. 1869 person: ally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Elizabeth Ann Whitney, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith that on the twenty- Seventh day of July A. D. 1842, in the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was pres= ent, and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of her daughter Sarah Ann Whitney, to the Prophet Joseph Smith, for time and alleterni: by by her husband Newel K. Whitney, then presiding Bishop of the Church. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elight Ann Whitney the E.A. Whitney day and year first above written) James Jack Motary Oublie

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74 Territory of Utah \ss. Be it remembered that on this twenty-eighth day of August A. D. 1869 personally appear. ed before me James Jack, a Notary Bublic, in and for Said County, John Benbow, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath South that in the Spring or fore part of the Summer of 1843 at his house, four miles from Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, Fresident Joseph South taught him und his wife, Jane Benbow, the doctrine of Celestral marriage, or plurality of wives, Hyrum Smith being present. And further, that Hannah Ells Smith a wife of the Trophet, boarded at his house two months during the Summer of the Same year. and the Said Hannah Ells Smith also lived at his house Several months in 1844 after the Prophets death. and further, that Fresident Smith freque -ently visited his wife Hannah at his house. by the Said John Benbow? James Jack, notary Public

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76 Gerritory of Utah ss. Be it remembered that on this Twenty-eighth day of August A. D. 1869 pressonally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said county, Nathan Tamer who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath South, that, in the Spring of 1844 at Montroes, Lee County, I owa, he heard President Josepholmith, while in conversation with himself, Harrison Sagers, Daniels and others, teach the doctrine of belestral marriage on plurality of wives, and Subsequently he heard the Trophet teach the doctrine publicly from the Stand in Nauvoo, in a manner that he perfectly understood, not only that the Prophet believed it, but that it was in force at that time. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Nathan Tanner & Nathan Jannon the day o year first written) James Jack Rotary Bublic

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7.8 Territory of Utah ss. Be it remembered that on this twenty-eighth day of August. A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said country Elvira A. C. Holmes who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith that on the first day of June A.D. 1843 at Hebert. Kimballs house, in the bily of Nauvoo, County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time and all eternity to President Joseph Smith, by Elder Heber b. Rimball, in the presence of Vilate Frimball and Eliza Mareah (Partridge) Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elvira A. C. Holmes Chrira A & Holmes the day geor first written, James Jack Notary Oublie " S WTAIL ?

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C 80 Territory of Utah \ss. Be it remembered that on this Seventh day of September A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said county, Sanah Terry Teak Kimball, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that Fresident Joseph Smith personally taught her the doctrine of a plurality of wives, and that on the day of A.D. 1842 at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois She was married or Sealed for time and all elernity to Heber 6, Kimball by President Joseph Smith in the presence of President Brigham young. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Sarah Perry Feak Kimball & Sarah P. P. Thinkale the day and year first above written) James Jack Molary Public

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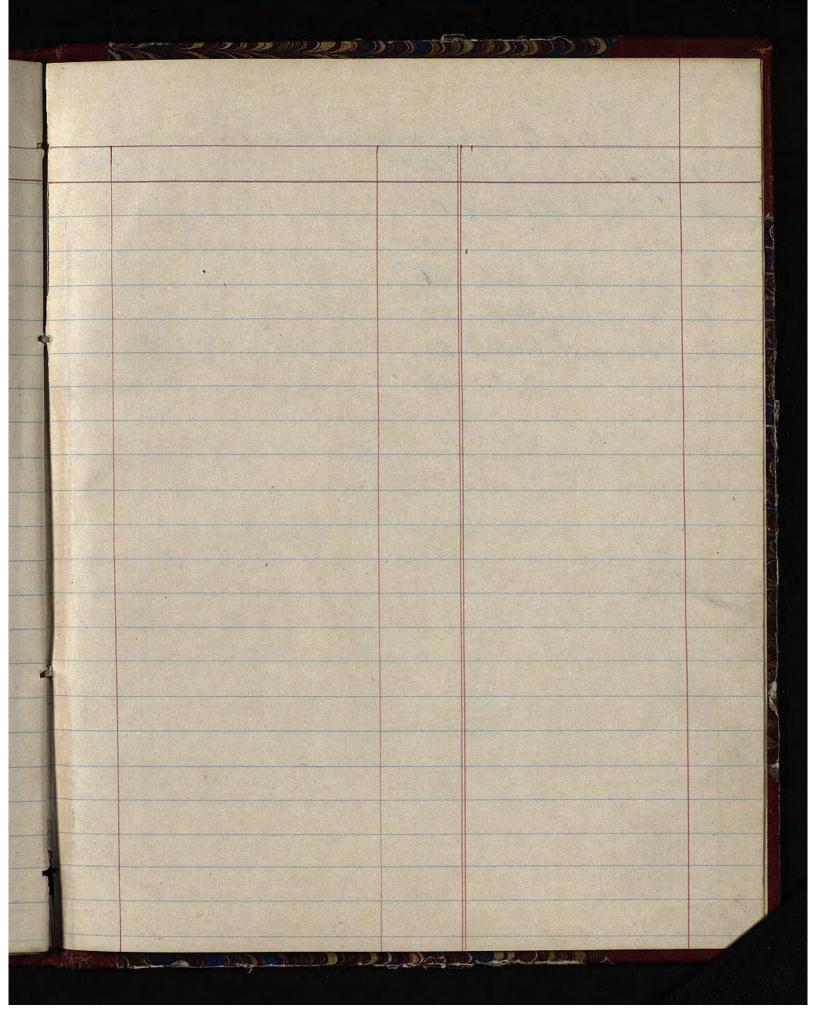
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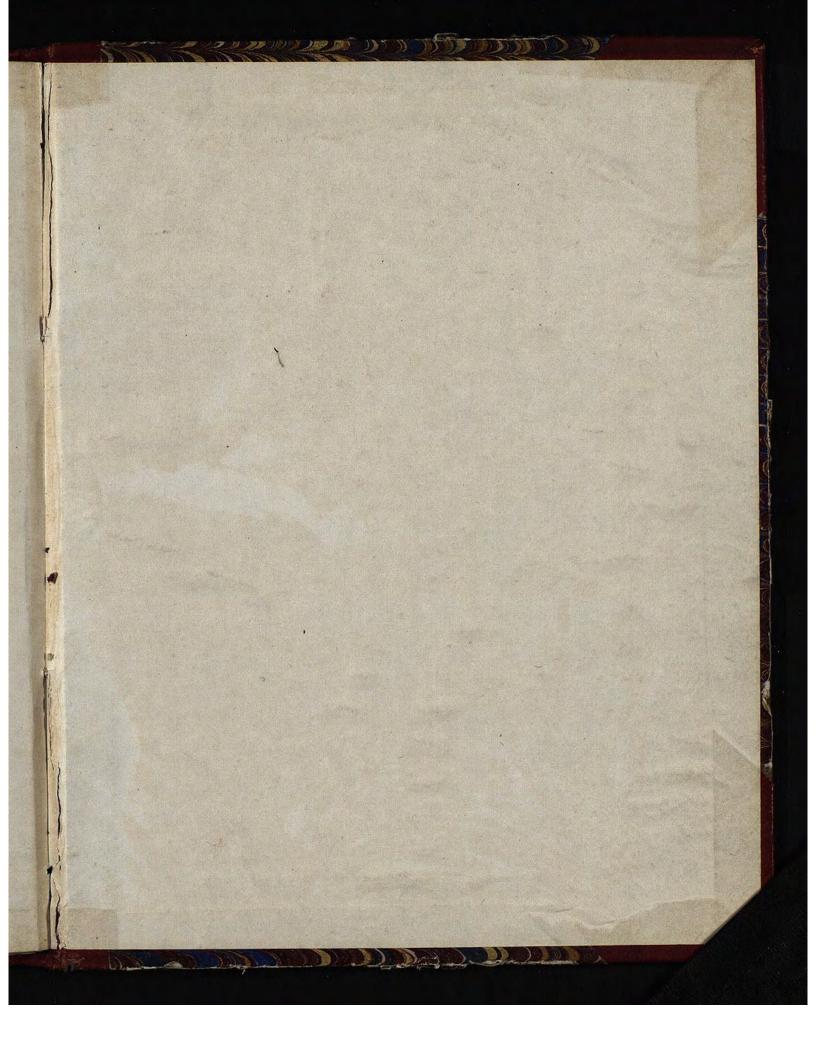
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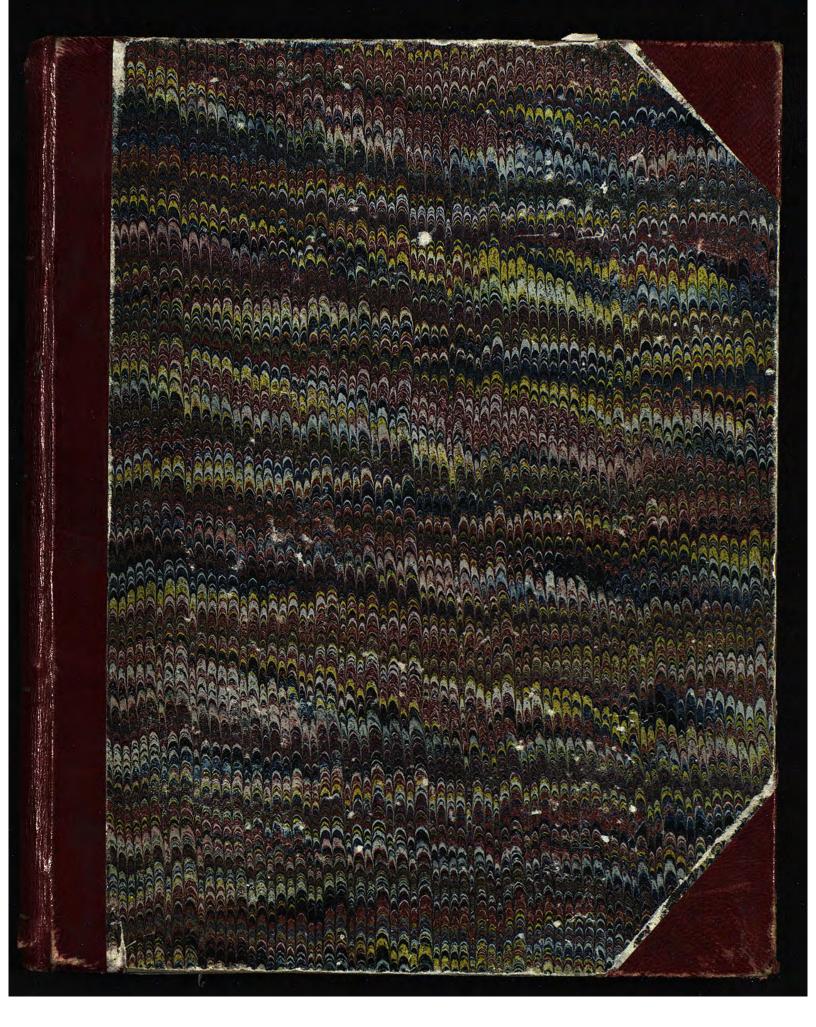




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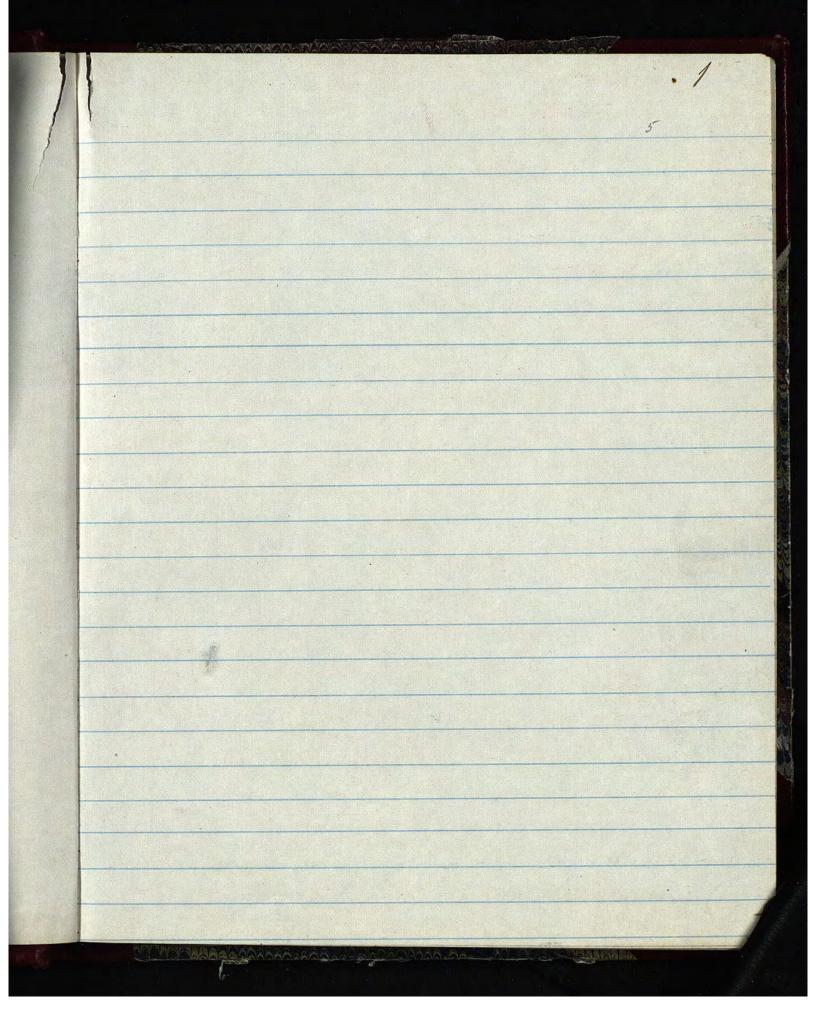
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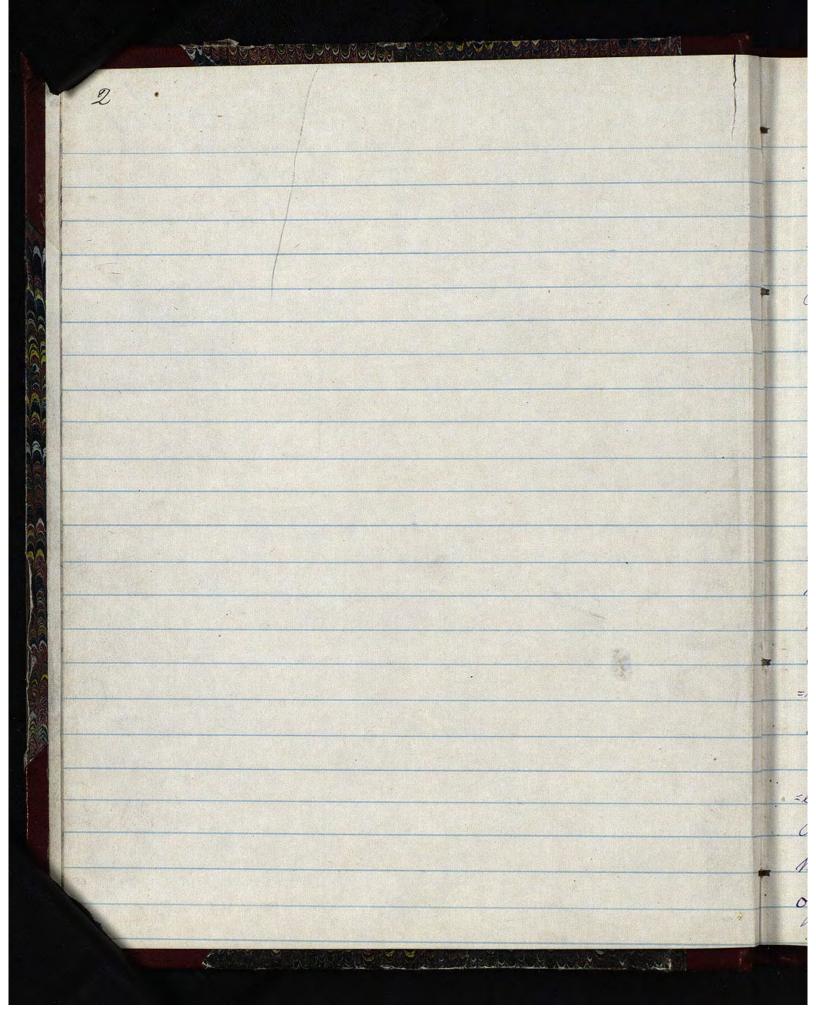


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Testimony of Benjamin F. Johnson.

On the first day of April a. D. (1843) eight= - een hundred and forty-three, President Joseph Smith, Orson Hyde, and William blayton and others came from Nauvoo to my residence in Macedonia or Ramus, in Hancock bo. Illinois. and were Joyfully welcom ed by myself and family as our quests. On the following morning, Sunday April, Second, President Smith took me by the arm for a walk, leading the way to a Secluded Spot within an adjacent grove, where to my great Surprise, he commenced to open up to me the principle of plural or Celistial marriage, but I was more as= =tonished by his asking me for my sister Almera to be his wife.

I sincerely believed him to be a prophet of God, and I loved him as such, and also for the many evidences of his kindness to me, yet such was the force of my education, and the scorn that

I felt towards anything unvirtuous that under the first impulse of my feelings, I looked him calmly, but firmly in the face and told him that, "I had always believed him to be a good man, and wished to believe it Still, and would try to; and that, I would take for him a message to my sister, and if the doctrine was true, all would be well, but if I should afterwards learn that it was offered to insult or prostitute my sister I would take his life". With a Smile he replied Benjamin, you will never see that day, but you shall live to know that it is True, and reforce in it." Hoe wished me to see my sister and talk to her, I told him, I did not know what I could say to convence her, he replied, "when you open your mouth, you shall be able to compre. -hend, and you shall not want for lvidence nor words! He also told me

that he would preach a Sermon that day for me, which I would understand, while the rest of the congregation would not comprehend his meaning. his subject was the ten talents spoken of by the Savior, "Tento him that hath Shall be given, and he shall have abundently, but from him that hath not (or will not receive) Shall be taken away that which he hath, (or might have had)" plainly giving me to understand that the talents represented wives and children as the principle of enlargement throughout 2 the great future, to those who were heirs of Salvation. I called my sister to private andience and with fear and trembling, and feelings that I cannot express commenced to open the Subject to her, when, just as he had promised, the light of the Lord Shone upon my understanding and my tongue was loosed, and I at least was convinced of the touth

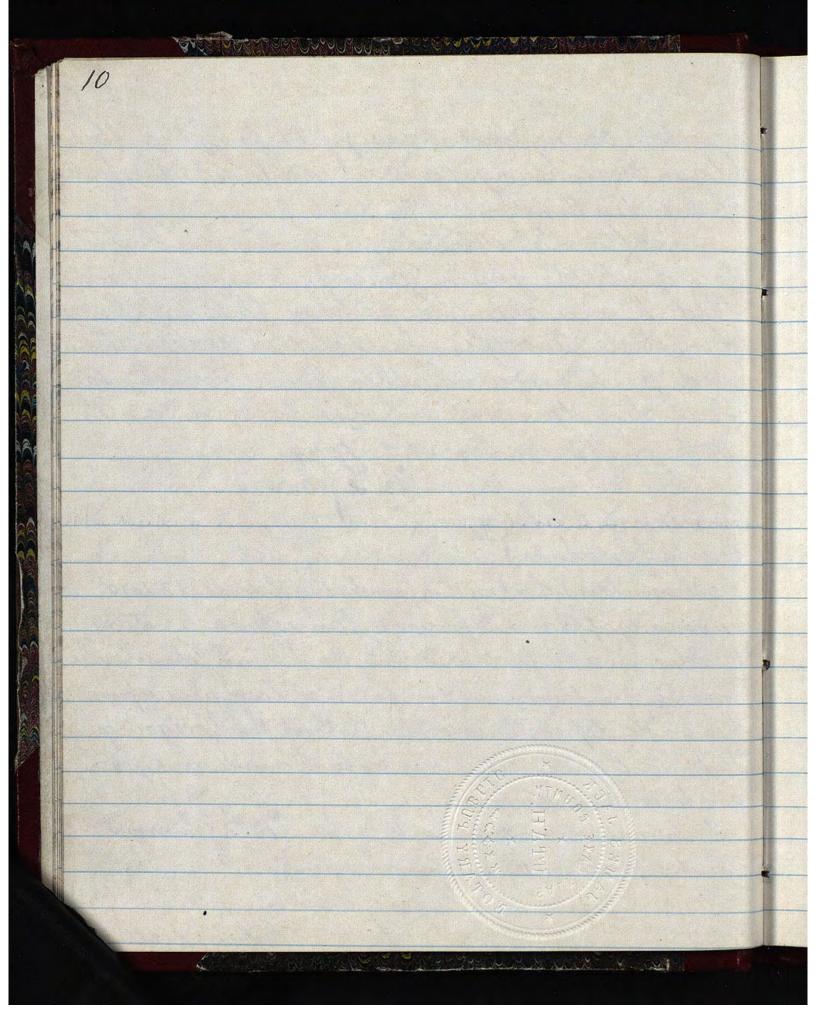
of what I was attempting to teach. My Sister received my testimony, and in a Short time afterwards concent ed to become the wife of President Smith. Subsequent to this I took her to the bity of Nauvoo, where she was married or Sealed for time and eterni= ty to Fresident Joseph Smith, by his brother Hyrum, in the presence of myself, and Louisa Beman who told me she had also been sealed or married to the Prophet Joseph, this was at the residence of my sister, the widow of Lyman R. Sherman, who also was a witness. After a Short period, Tresident Smith and company, vis. George Miller, William Clayton, J. M. Smith, and Elija and Lydia Tartridge, (who were the wives of the Prophet) Came again to Macedonia (Ramus) where he remained two days, lodging at my house with my sister, as man and wife, (and to my certain knowledge he occupied

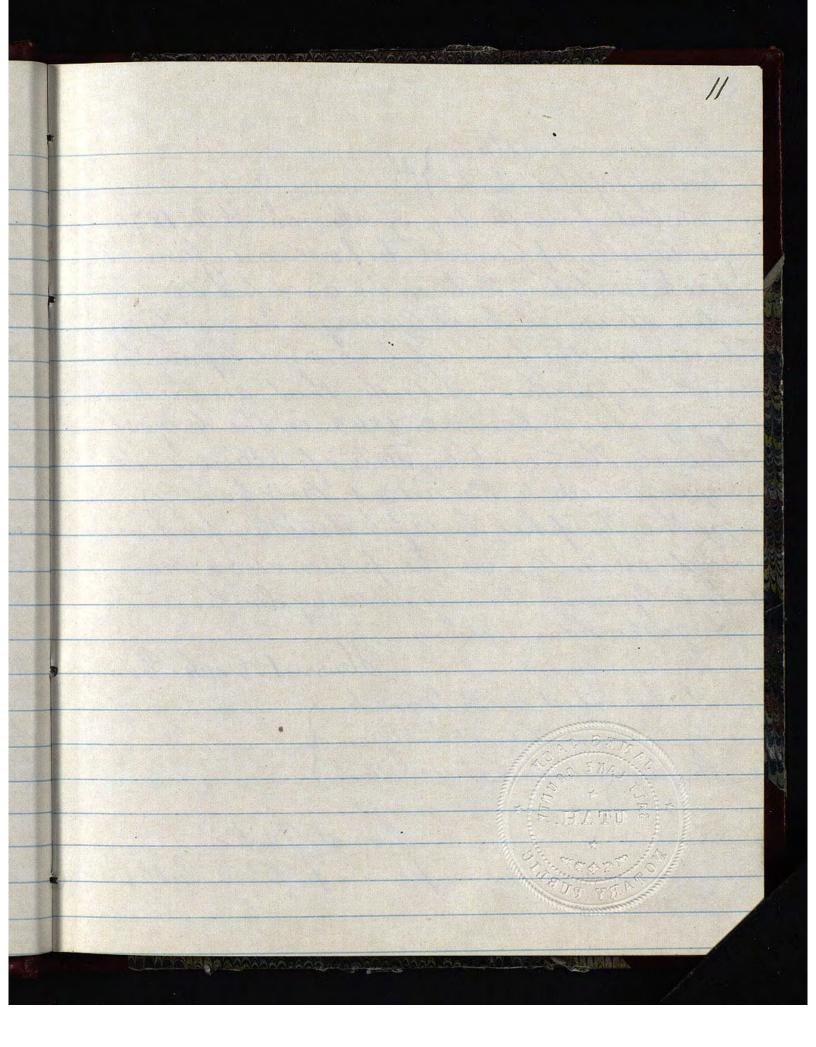
the Same bed with her.) This visit was on the Sixteenth and Seventeenth of may, 4, eighteen-hundred and forty-three, returnnt ing to Nauvoo on the eighteenth, again The. on the nineteenth of October, the Same year, President Smith made us another visit at Macedonia, and remained till the twenty-first, he was accompanied by William Clayton, at this time (Oct. 20) he 2/ Sealed my first wife to me for time and all eternity. He visited us at other times aled and introduced ladies who accompan-/,led him, as his wives, I think, Lucyler, Walker was one of them. President Smith also asked me for my Sister Esth. er, but I told him I thought She was engaged to be married to David J. Le Baron, but that he was free to take Mary Ann Hale, an orphan girl whom het) my mother had raised, and who was ere then living with me, he said no, she is not for me, but it is right for you to take her yourself for a wife, and ied

if your Sister is engaged, it is all right - and in the presence of my family he talked to her on the Subject, but as I had suspected, she was promis= to be married. He also visited my mother at her ed to be married. residence in Macedonia, and taught her in my hearing, the doctrine of belestial marriage, declairing that an Angel appeared unto him with a drawn sword, threatening to slay him if he did not proceed to fulfile the law that had been given to him, and counselled my mother to be sealed to his uncle, Father John Smith, to which she consented, and to my certain knowledge was subsequently sealed to him by the Trophet.

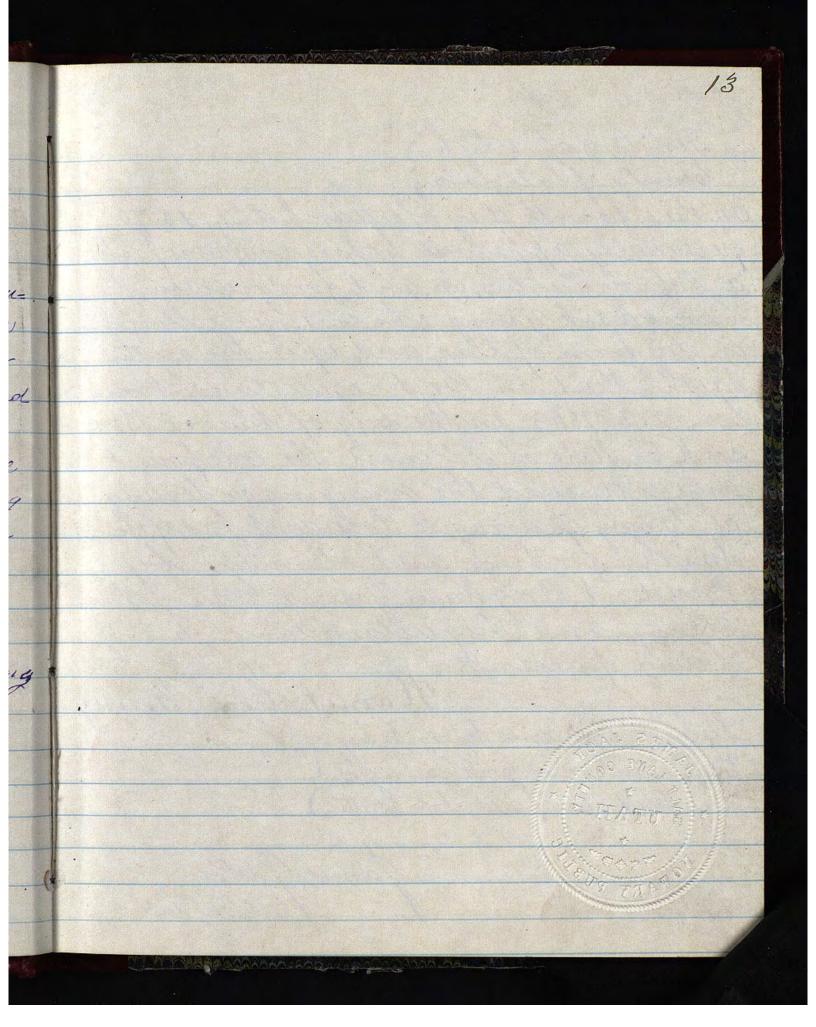
Previous to this I had commenced to build me a brick house, in Macedonia President Smith proposed, as my Sister was now his wife, to furnish means to enlarge the building and we

would own and occupy it fourthy, this plan was being carried out at the time of his death. After the death of the Trophet, Itold Tresident Brigham young, what he had Said to me relative to my taking Mary Ann Hale to wife, he said it was right, and authorized Father John Smith to seal her to me, which he did on the 14th. of November, A.D. 1844. Gerritory of Tetah } SS. bounty of Salt-Lake } SS. Be it rembered that on this fourth day of March A. D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a notary public in and for Said leaunty Benjamin F. Johnson who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and whon his oath deposeth and South that the foregoing Statements and testimony by him made and given are true and correct. Subscribed and Sworn to by the By Johnson Said B. F. Johnson the day & year above written Many Public

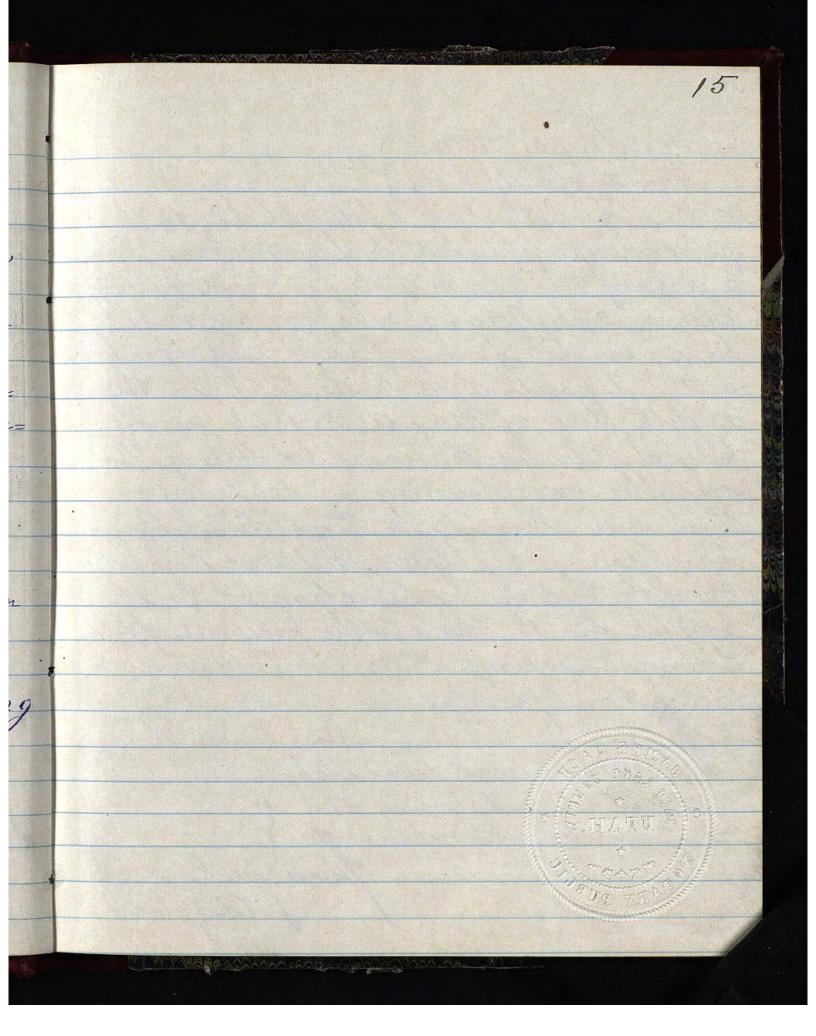




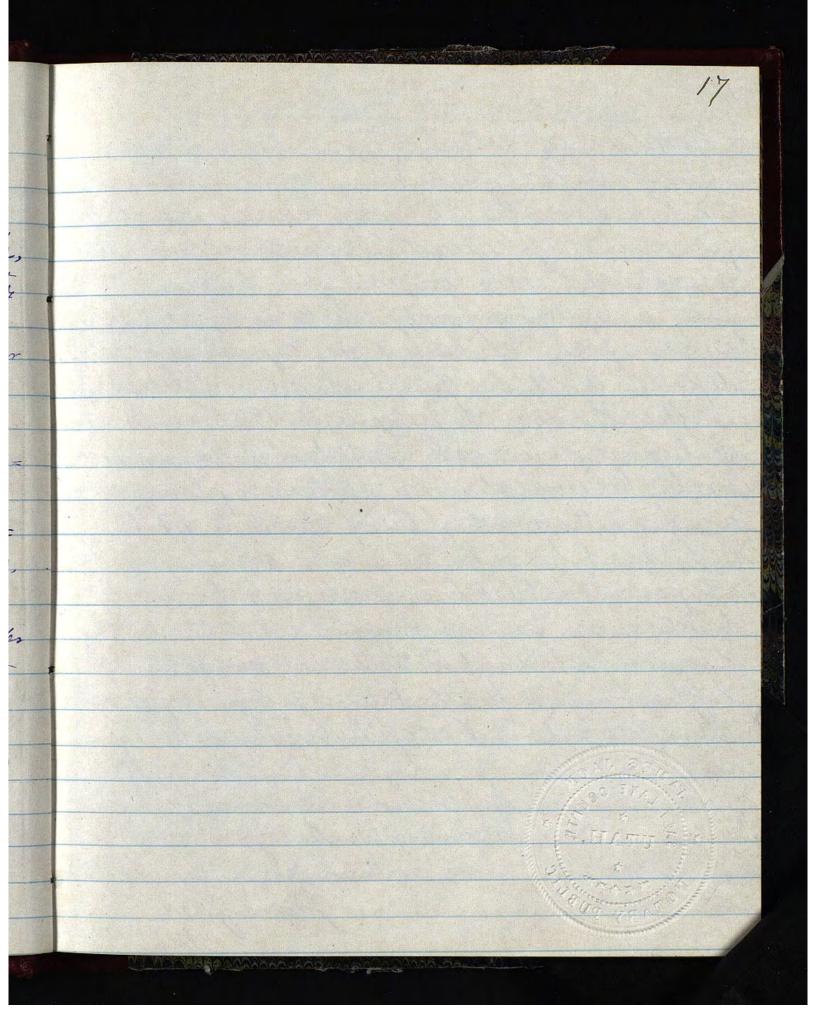
Territory of Utah bounty of Salt Lake } 88. On this fourth day of March A. D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said bounty, Harriet-book young who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath deposeth and Saith, that on the Second day of November, A.D. 1843. in the bity of Nauvoo, Hancock bo. State of Illinois, She was married to President Brigham young by the Trophet Joseph Smith, for time and eternity, in the presence of many Ann young, Fanny Murray Smith, and Augusta Adams young. Harriet Cook Going Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Harriet book young the day xyear first above written James Gack Public



Territory of utah) County of Salt Lake } On this fourth day of march A. D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County Harriet book young, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, Mat on the Second day of Novem = Der a. D. 1843, in the City of Nauvoo, Han= -cock lo. State of Illinois, She was present and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of Fanny Murray to President Jaseph Smith, for time and eternity, by Fresident Brigham Young; many Am young, and Augusta Adams Haung being present. Harriet Cook Boung Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Harriet book young the day and year first above written James Pack (Notary Public



Territory of Tutah & 88. on this fourth day of march A.D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County Clara Decker young, who was by me Sworn in die form of law and uponher oath deposeth and Saith, that on the eighth day of May a. D. 1844, in the bity of Nauvoo, Hancock bo. State of Illin. ois, She was married or Sealed for time and eternity to Presidend Brig-- ham young, by Elder Willard Richards one of the Twelve, by Sanction of Prest. Jaseph Smith, and in the presence of Elder Lorenzo D. young, Harriet F. young & Lucy Am Gaung. Clara Decker Harry Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Clara D. young the day and year first above written Molary Public'



Serritory of Jult Lake } S. On this Leventh day of March A. D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, Jos a Notary Public in and for Said County to Joseph 6. Kingsburry who was by me Swom in due form of law and upon his oath deposeth and Saith, that on or about the Fifteenth day of July a. D. 1843, in the bity of Nauvoo, Hancock bo. State of Illinois, he wrote the Revelation on Clestial or plural marr. of age from the mouth of Bishop Newel K. Whitney as he read from the original, which was in his possession Just previous to its reported des truction by Emma Smith. and that the Same, as published in the Deseret News Extra of September fourteenth 1852 is a true copy of the original. Joseph 4 Kingsbury Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Jos. C. Ringsbury the day and year first above written. James Jack

destimony of Lovengo Snow In the month of April 1843 I returned from my European Mission, a few days after my arrival at Nauvoo, when at Presidens Ik, Joseph Smith's house, he Said he wished to have some private talk with me, and on requested me to walk out with him; It was h toward evening, we walked a little distance the and sat down on a large log that lay near ity. The bank of the river; He there and then e explained to me the doctrine of plurality are of wives. He said said that the Lordhad revealed it unto him, and commanded him n to have women sealed to him as soives, s that he foresaw the trouble that would e follow, and Sought to turn away from the Commandment - that an Angel from Heaven appeared before him with a drawn Sword, threatening him with destruction unless he went forward d) and obeyed the Commandment He further said that my Sister Olya R. Snow had been Sealed to him as his wife for time and Eternity. He told me

20 that the Lord would open the way, and I should have women sealed to me as wives. This conversation was prolonged, I think one hour or more, in which he told me many important things. I Solemnly declare before God and holy Angels, and as I hope to come forth in the morning of the Reservation, that the above Statement is true (signed) Lorenzo Smow nes Gerritory of utah 3 ss. Box Elder County 3 Personally came before me f. 6 an Wright, blerk of the bounty and Probate Courts in and for the County and Territory aforesaid, Lovenzo Snow, and who being Mo duly Sworn deposeth and says, that the Co foregoing Statement by him Subscribed is true of his ovon certain knowledge. wi Witness my hand and Seal of court atmy office in Brigham bity, Box Elder Seal County weak Territory this 28th day of Auguste A.D. 1869. 9. 6 Wright, Clerk

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Statement and Affidavit of 6. Merkley ves. I called upon Jenos H. Gurley at Hendersonville, Throp bo. Illinois, in November 1860 and Spent and spent Several days with him. He told me that after the Church left Nauvo, he Joined J. J. Strang, and continued with him until he was satisfied that Strang was an impostor. He then Started out preaching whon his own responsibility, which he continued for Several years, frequently Sending deputations to Joseph Smith, Son of the Prophet, to induce him to come forth 6. and assume the leadership of the Church which he had raised up. But Joseph refused until 1860, when by the pursuasions of William ing . Marks and others who had formed Gurley, he Came forward and was ordained Fresident of the High- Friesthood by the Said 7. H. Gurley who had never been more than a Seventy. Again in 1864 while on business to Canada I called on J. H. Gurley, when the following Conversation occurred, I asked him if he believed that Joseph Smith was a fallen

22 Prophet." He answered no, he died a marap tyr" Then what will you do with the Revela. Pi thon Joseph received on Polygamy?" Jurley:"he never had it" "very well, then what will M you say about the wives that he had?" yurley: I do not know that he had any." th! Gurley you do know, for how many times have you and I talked together about dister Emma's raising the devil with Joseph about his wives?" Mr. Gurleys wife then Spoke up and Said, He does know, bro. Merkley, and he lies when he says he downot! I then Said, "Bro yurley, what did you do with your other wife?" he replied, I neverhad one" "Well", Said I, "I did not know that, but I do know that you expected to get another about the time I left Nauvo, for you told me so." (Signed) C. Merkley Territory of utah? County of Salt-Lake & SS. Be it remembered that on this third day of August A. D. 1869 personally

appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Christopher y:- Merkley who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon his oath Saith, that the foregoing Statements, by him made, are true and correct, of his own certain knowledge (Signed) 6. Merkley Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said b. Merkley this third day of August A. D. 1869 - (Signed) James Jack - Notary Tublic 24 Co ab co eo in on

Nauvoo August 18th. 1842 Dear and beloved brother and Sister Whitney &c. I take this opportunity to communicate Some of my feelings privately at this time, which I want you three eternally to keep in your own bosoms, for my feelings are so strong for you since what has passed lately between us, that the time of my absence from you seems so long and drea my, that it seems as if I could not live long in this way; and if you three would come and see me in this my lonely retreat, it would afford me great relief of mind. If those with whom I am alied do love me now is the time to afford me succour in the days of exile, for you know I fore= Told you of these things.

I am now at barlos Graingers, Just back of brother Hyrum's farm, it is only one mile from town, the nights are very pleasant indeed, all three of you can

26 come and see me in the forepart of the night, let bro. Whitney come a little m whead and knock at the South east corner of the house at the window, it life is next to the cornfield: I have a room entirely by myself, the whole matter can be attended to with most perfect safety. ales I know it is the will of God that ou you that you should comfort me now in this time of affliction, or not at all, ned ho now is the time or never; but I have no fu need of Saying any such thing to you, for I know the goodness of your hearts, and an that you will do the will of the Lord when it is made known to you. The only thing to be careful of is to find if out when Emma comes, then you cannot be 06 Safe, but when she is not here there is the most perfect safety, only be careful to an escape observation as much as possible I know it is a heroic undertaking 60 but so much the greater friendship and the more foy.

When I see you I will tell you all my plans, I cannot write them on paper. Burn this letter assoon as you read it. Keep all locked up in your brests, my life depends upon it. One thing I want to see you for is to get the fullness of my blessing sealed upon our heads &c. our heads &c. you will pardon me for my earnest. ness on this Subject, when you consider how lones one I must be, your good feelings know how to make any allowand for me. I close my letter. I think comma won't come to night, I if She don't, don't fail to come to night. I Subscribe my self your most obedient and affectionate companion and friend. Territory of Weakly SS.

d. County of Salt-Lake SS. Be it known that on this

thirteenth day of August A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Jub. lic in and for Said County Elijabeth Ann Whitney and Sarah Ann Smith (Kimball) who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon their oath Say that the foregoing is a true copy of a letter written at barlos Graingers by Fresident Joseph Smith, dated, Nawoo August 18th. 1842. to Newel K. and Elijabeth Ann Whitney and their daughter Sarah Ann Smith Who was married or Sealed to President Smith, July 27- 1842. and further that they have this day deposited said letter in the Historian's Office in the county and bety of Signed Elizabeth Ann Whitney Salt Lake. Sarah Ann Smith (Kumball) Subscribed and Swom to be Seal the Said Elizabeth Ann Whitney and Sarah Am Smith (Kimball) on this thirteenth day of Aug. 1869 James Jack Notary Tublic

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Territory of Utah \88. bounty of Millard \88. Be it remembered that on this first day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Partridge, Trobate Judge, in and for Said county, Eliza Maria (Fartridge) Syman, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that Sometime in the year 1843 in the City of Nauvo County of Hancock, State of Illinois, Shewas witness to the marriage or Sealing of Lucy Walker to Joseph Smith, President of the behurch of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by William Clayton, a high- Priest in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage (Signed) Elija Maria Partnege Syman. Seal Subscribed and Sworn to by the Seal Said Elija Maria (Partridge) Syman the day and year first above written) Edward Fartridge Probate Judge

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Gerritory of Utah \ ss. Be it remembered that on this the 18d first day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Partridge, Probate Judge, in and for Said county, Eliza Maria (Fartridge) -600 Lyman who was by me Sworn in due form in of law and upon her oath Saith, that on on 1 the eighth day of March a. D. 1843 at the Nou bity of Nauvos Country of Hancock State was of Illinois she was married or Sealed to by Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Satter-day Saints, by Heber 6. Kimball, one of the Twelve Apostles in Said iag Church, according to the laws of the Same an regulating marriage; in the presence (Signed) Elija Maria (Fartridge) Syman Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elija Maria (Partridge) Lyman the (day and year first above written) Edward Tarbridge Probate Judge

Territory of Utah }88. Be it remembered that on this first day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me in Edward Partridge, probate Judge in and for Said - County Elija Maria (9) Lyman who was by me sworn n in due form of law and upon her oath Saith, that n on the eleventh day of may a. D. 1843, at the leity of e Nauvoo County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President to of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints by James Adams a high-Priest in Said Church, ber according to the laws of the Same regulating maned iage; in the presence of Emma (Hale) Smith e and Emily Dow Partridge. (Signed) Eliza Maria (T) Lyman Seal Said Elija Maria (F) Lyman theday and year first above written Edward Partridge Probate Judge

34 Territory of Utah? 88. bounty of Millard & 88. Be it remembered that on this first day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Partridge, Probate Judge en and for Said County Eliza Maria J. Lyman who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that on the eleventh day of may A. D. 1843, in the bity of Nauvo, Country of Hancock State of Illinois, She was a witness to the marriage or Sealing of Comily Dow Partridge to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by James Adams, a high-Friest in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage; EmmaSmith being present, (Signed) Elija Maria (P.) Lyman Seal (Eliza Maria (P.) Lyman the day and year first above written Edward Partridge Probate Judge

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Gernitory of Utah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this eighth day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Fartridge, Probate Judge, in and for Said County, Martha M. Bride Flimball who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that sometime in the Summer of the year 1842 at the bily of Nauvoo, Country of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Heber b. Kimball, one of the Twelve Apostes in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same reg= ulating marriage (Signed) Martha M. Bride Kimball Subscribed and sworn to by the said Martham: Bride Kimball the day and year first above written.) Eddward Partridge Trobate Judge

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Gerritory of Utah \ss. Be it remembered that on this third day of September a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me Hiram Winters, a Justice of The peace in and for Said County, Mary Am Fratt who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the twenty-fourth day of July A. J. 1843, at the bity of Nawoo bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois The was married or Sealed to Farley F. Fratt for time and eternity, by President Hyoun Smith, in the presence of Mary Ann young and Elizabeth Brotherton. (Signed) Mary Ann Fratt Seal Said Mary Arm Fratt the day and year first above written Hiram Winters Justice of the Teace

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40 Gerritory of Utah 38. Be it remembered that on this third day of September a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me Heram Winters, a justice of the Peace in and for Said county, Mary Ann Fratt, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the twenty-fourth day of July A. S. 1843, at The bity of Nauvo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was present and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of Elijabeth Brotherton to Parley F. Fratt for time and eternity, by Hyrum Smith Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter. -day Saints, in the presence of Mary Am Young (Signed) (Mary Ann Pratt, Seal Said Mary Ann Pratt the day and year first above writting Hiram Winters Justice of the Peace

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day before that at ying of the ther. 42 Gerritory of Utah 38. Be it remembered that on this fifth day of September A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me David brockett, a fustice of the pea: ce in and for Said county Adeline Brooks Andrus Benson, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath saith, that on the twenty- Seventh day of April A.D. 1844 in the City of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, the was married or sealed to Egra J. Benson, for time and all eternity (he already having one wife) by Fresident Hyrum Smith, in the presence of Tamelia Andrus Benson. and also that the witnessed the Sealing of her Sister Tamelia, to Egra T. Benson Nov. 19- 1843. (Signed) Adeline B. A. Benson Seal & Said Adeline B. A. Benson the day? and year first above written David Crockett istice of the Peace

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44 Territory of Utah } ss. Be it remembered that on this Sigth day of Septemer A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, David brockett, a Justice of the Peace in and for said bounty, Tamelia Andrus Benson who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath saith that on the nineteenth day of November A.D. 1843 She was married or Sealed to Egra J. Benson, for time and all eternity by Hy: rum Smith, in the presence of Adeline B. Andrus, her Sister, which was done in the bely of Nauvor bounty of Hancock State of Illinois, and further, on the twenty Seventhe day of April A. S. 1844 at the Same place, She was present and witnessed the marrying or sealing of her sister Adeline to her As husband & T. Benson by President Hyrum Smith fo (Signed) Samelia A. Benson =is Subscribed and Swim to by the Said = de Pamelia Andrus Benson The day and year first above written David brockett Justice of the Peace

Testimony of Orson Hoyde Springtown, Sept = 15, 1869. ce 9, Orson Hyde, do hereby certify and declare n according to my best recollection, that on the fourd the day of September, I was married to Miss. Marin of -da A. Johnson, in Kirtland Ohio, in the year of our Lord 1834. and in the month of February ry: or March (1843) I was married to Mis Martha Trophep and by him She was sealed to me for or, all eternity, in Nauvoo Illinois; and in the month of April of the Same year, 1843, I was married by the Same person to Mrs. Mary Ann Price, and by him She was Sealed to me - for time and for all eternity, in Nauvoo Illino = = is while the woman to whom I was first married was yet living and gave her cordial cons elent to both transactions, and was presson - ally present to witness the ceremonies. (Signed) Orson Hyde Sworn to and Subscribed to before me this

46 fifteenth day of September A. D. 1869 at Spring: town, San Fete County utah Territory (Signed) George Brough Justice of Peace I hereby certify that the above named George Brough is a Justice of the Peace for the precinct of springtown in the bounty of San Pete what Territory, and that he is duly qualified in accordance with law; in testimony whereof I hereunto Set my hand and affix the Seal of the county bourt of San Tete bo. Wah Territory, at my Office, Manti bity, this September 16th. A.D. 1869 (Signed) William J. Reid County Clerk

Salt Lake bity Oct. 10 th. 1869 9= We hereby faintly and Severally certify that on the twelfth day of August a. D. 1843 -Hyrum Smith presented to the High Council in his brick office at Nauvoo assembled, the Revelation on belestial marriage, given to Joseph Smith, and written on the twelfth day of July 1843. and that the teaching of Hymm No Smith refered to in the minutes of the Council on said twelfth day of August 1843 was on the Subject of Said Revelation, endorsing the ti Same and enfaining it on the council, In testimony whereof we hereunto affix ournames this 10th. day of Oct. 1869 Thos Graves Territory of tetah is attest Jas. F. Smith Country of Salt Lake S. Tersonally appeared before me 48 Jacob J. Bigler Probate Judge for Just-bounty, Territory aforesaid David Fullmer, Thomas Grover, and Aaron Johnson who were by me sworn in due form of law, and upon their oath day that the foregoing Matement by them made and signed, is David Fullmer Thos. Graver Haron Johnson Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Tavid Fullmer, Thomas Grover and Aaron Johnson this tenth day of October A. S. eighteen hundred and lifty nine. Jacob G. Bigler Probate Judge

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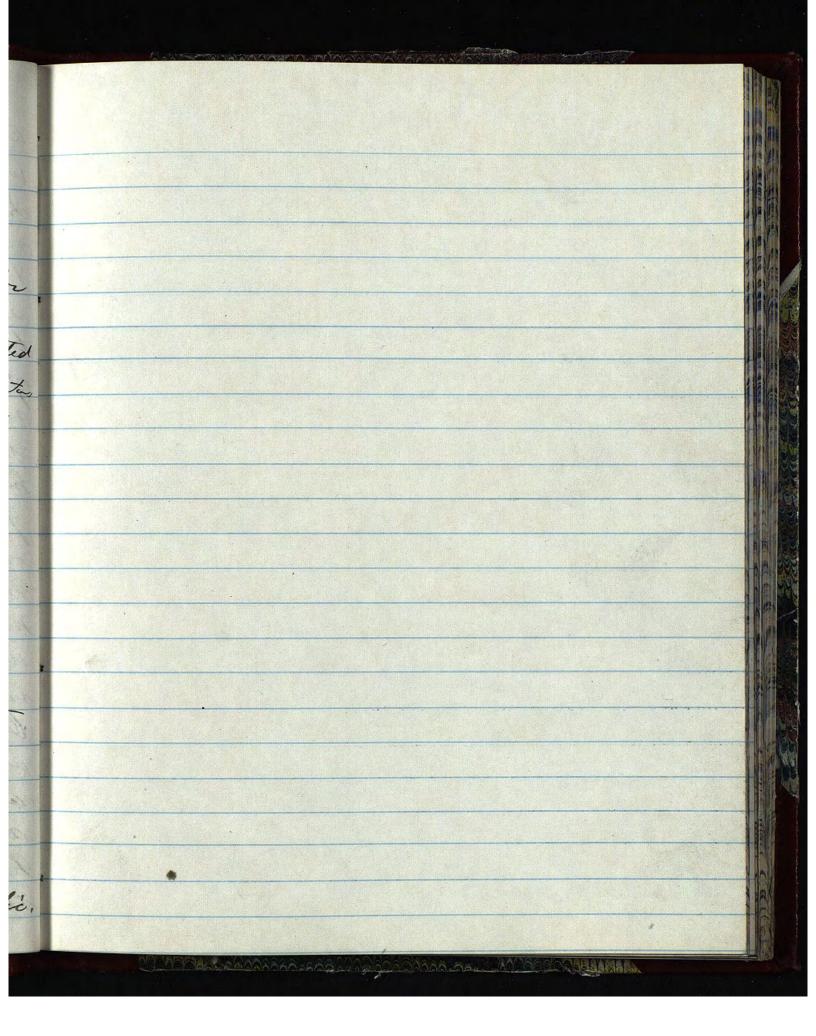
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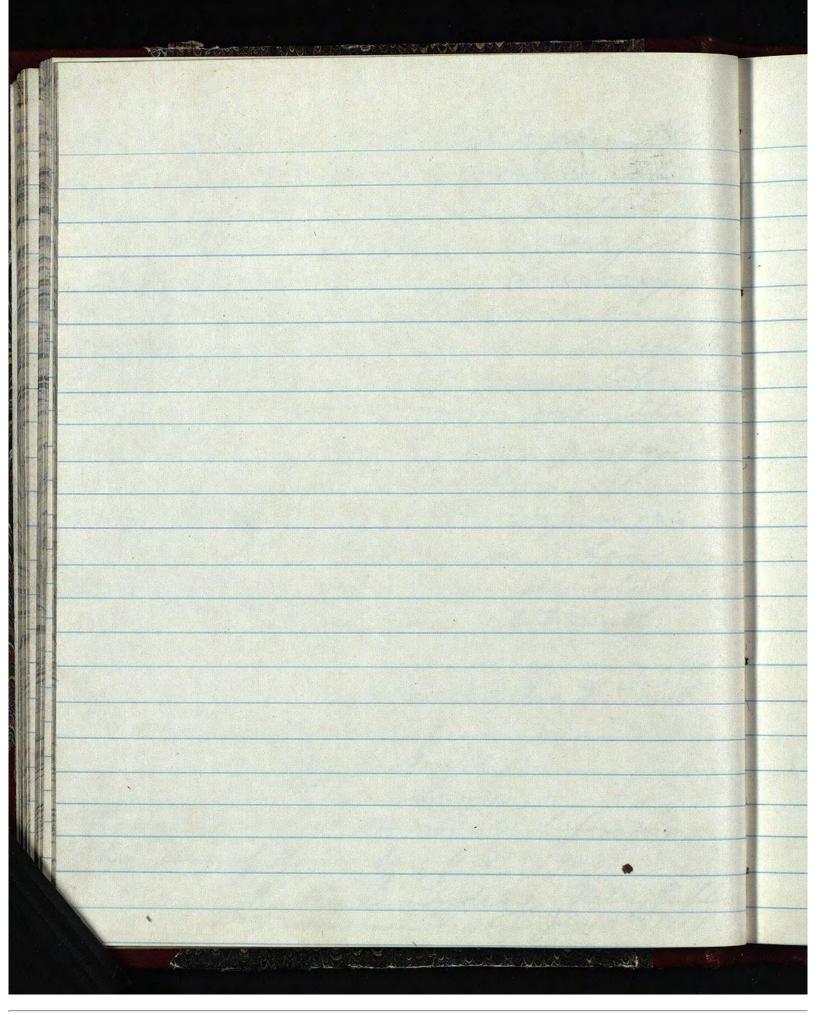
State of altah Sss bounty of Salt Lake Sss Bathshiba W. Smith, being first duly sworm on oath, depones and says: I was a resident of nawoo, State of Illinois from 1840 to 1846, I was married to George a. Smith, July 25, 1841, Elder Don Carlos Smith performing the ceremony. Near the close of the year 1843, or in the beginning of the Myear 1844, I received the ordinance of associating in a room in Sester Emma Smith's house, in navovos, and the same day, in company with my husband, I received my Endowments in the lodge room over the Prophet Joseph Smith's store. The endowments were given under the direction of the Prophet Joseph Smith, who ofterwards gave le us lectures, or instructions, in regard to the endowment ceremonia

There has been no change to my a Certain Knowledge in those ceremonies w They are the same today as they were de then a short time after I received m my Carrointings I was sealed to my J husbond, George a. Smith, for time 120 and for eternity, by President be Brigham young, in the latters house 1 ackording to the plan taught, to 21 my Knowledge, by the Prophet 1 Joseph Smith. When I was ma married in 1841, Iwas married p for time, and not for eternity. at 12 the time I was amounted in Sister The Emma Smith's house, she (Emma mo Smith I said in my presence, to me wi and to others who were also present in upon that occasion: your husbands On are going to take more wines, and an if you don't consent toit, you an must put your foat down and MA Kup it there." Much more was her said in regard to plural marriage the

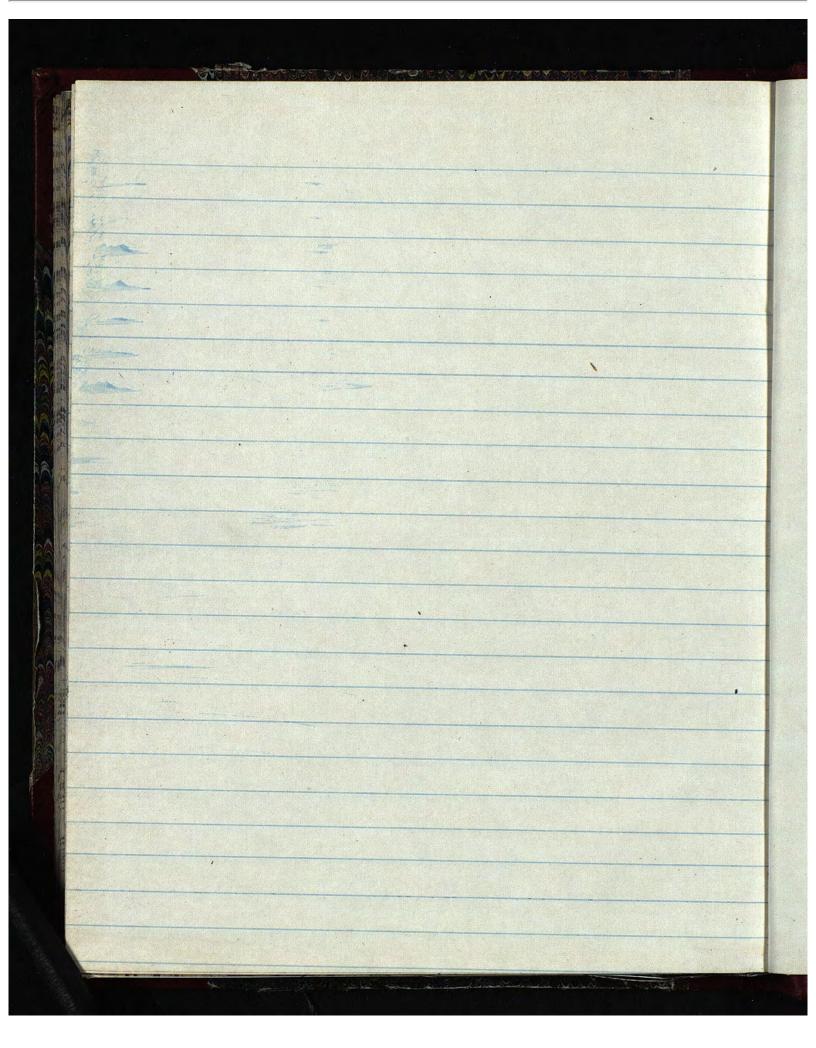
at that lime by Sister Emma Smith, who seemed opposed to the principle. In the year 1840, at a meeting held in Marrow, at which I was present, I heard the Prophet Joseph Smith say that the ancient order would be restored as it was in the days of abraham. In the year 1844, a short time before the death of the Prophet Joseph Smith, it was my privilege to attend a regular proyer circle meeting in the lodge room over the Prophet's store. There were present at this meeting most of the Twelve Upostles, their weres and a number of other prom. ment brethren and their weves On that occasion the Prophet arose and spoke at great lingth, and during his remarks I heard him ray that he had conferred on the heads of the Twelve apostles all the Keys and powers pertaining to

the Priesthood, and that upon the heads of the Twelve apostles the burden of the Kingdown rested and they would have to carry it. It has been, and is necessary for me to make this statement, as contrary reports have been cerculated as coming from me. Uny statements purporting to come from me, that have been made by any partage or porties, in opposition, or conflicting with this, my sworm statement, one false, as I have never to my Knowledge deviated one sota from this statement. Buthshelier W. Smith Signed in the presence of Jos. 4. Smith fr. I Thousand Subscribed and sworn to before me This day of november a.D. 1903. Martin D. Lindsay Hotory Public.

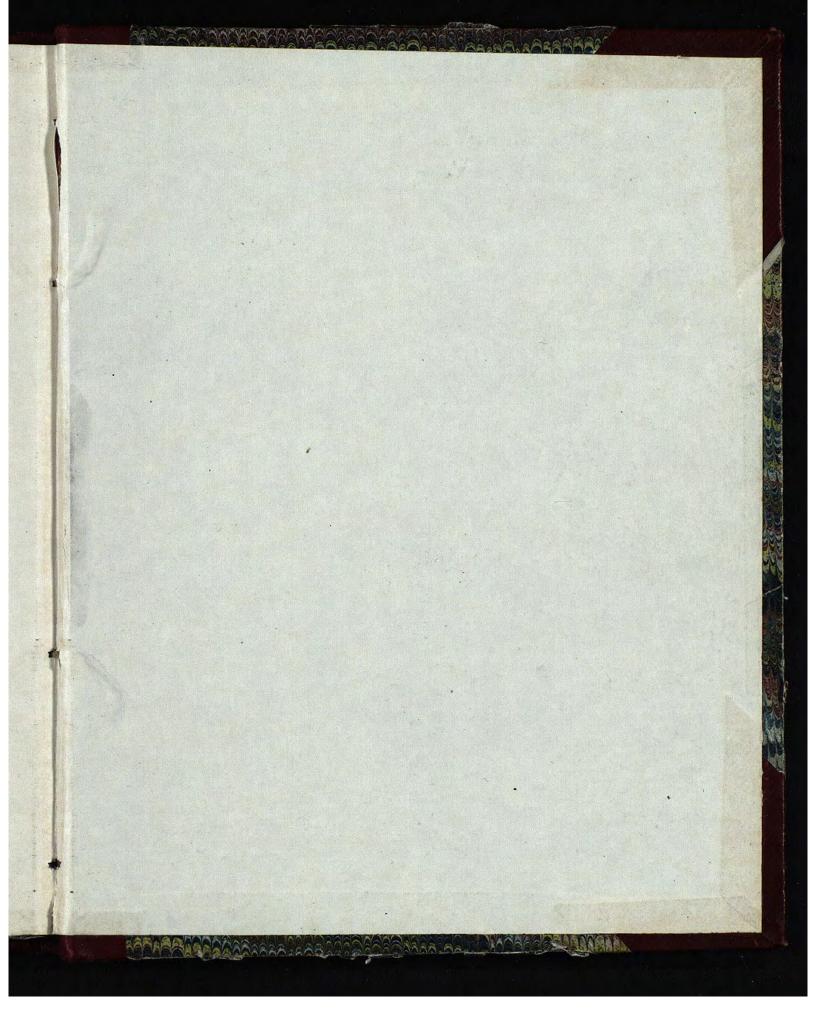


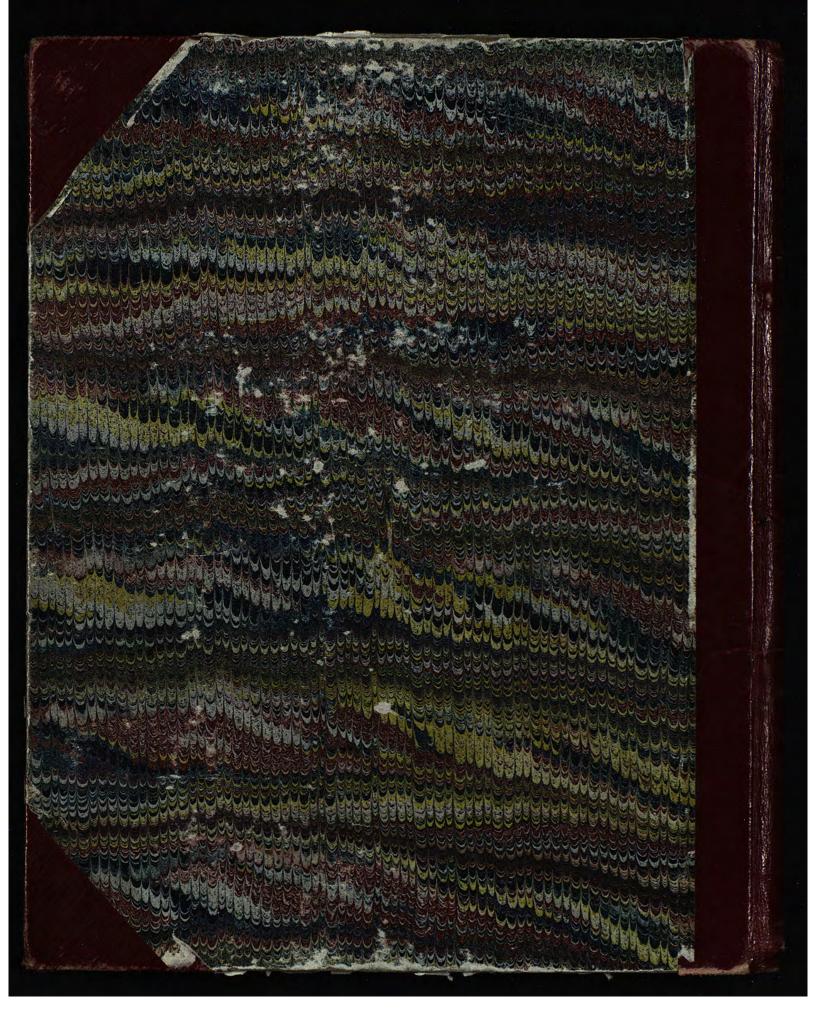


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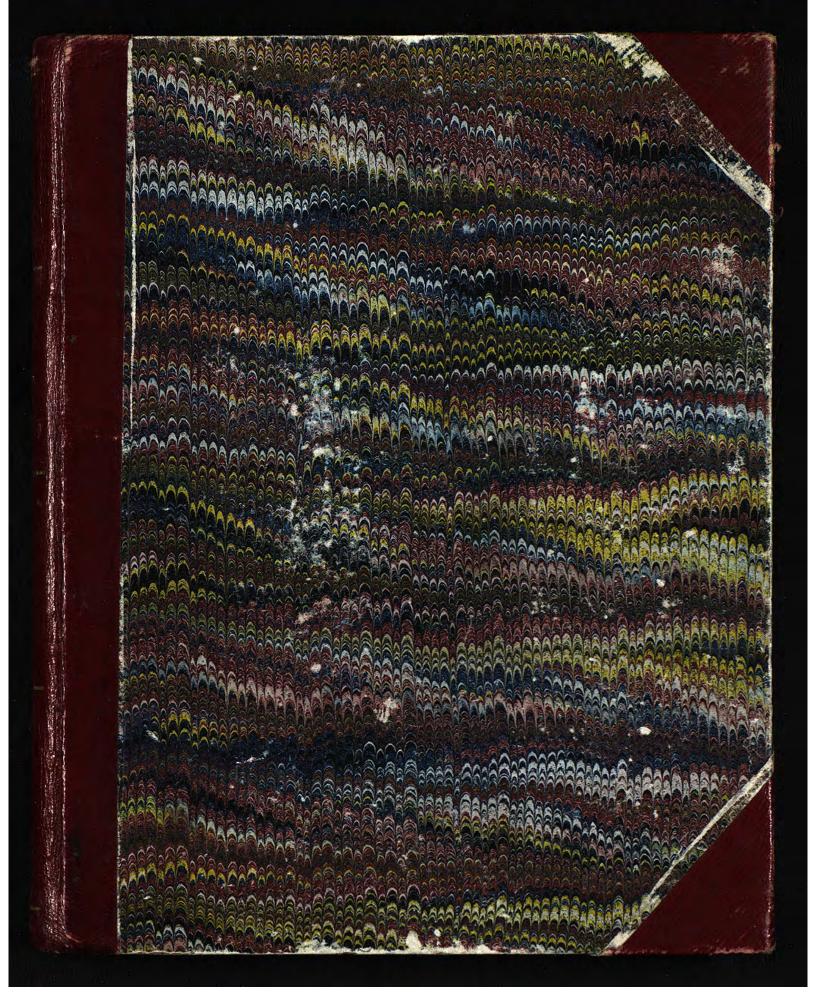




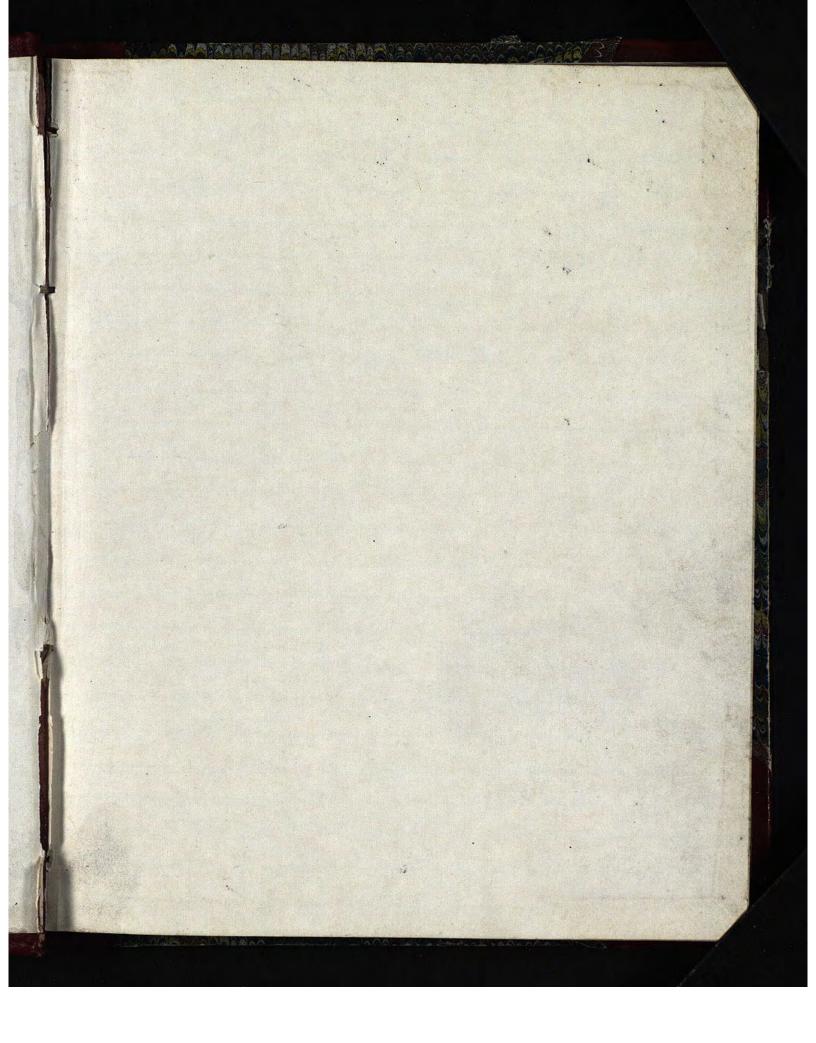
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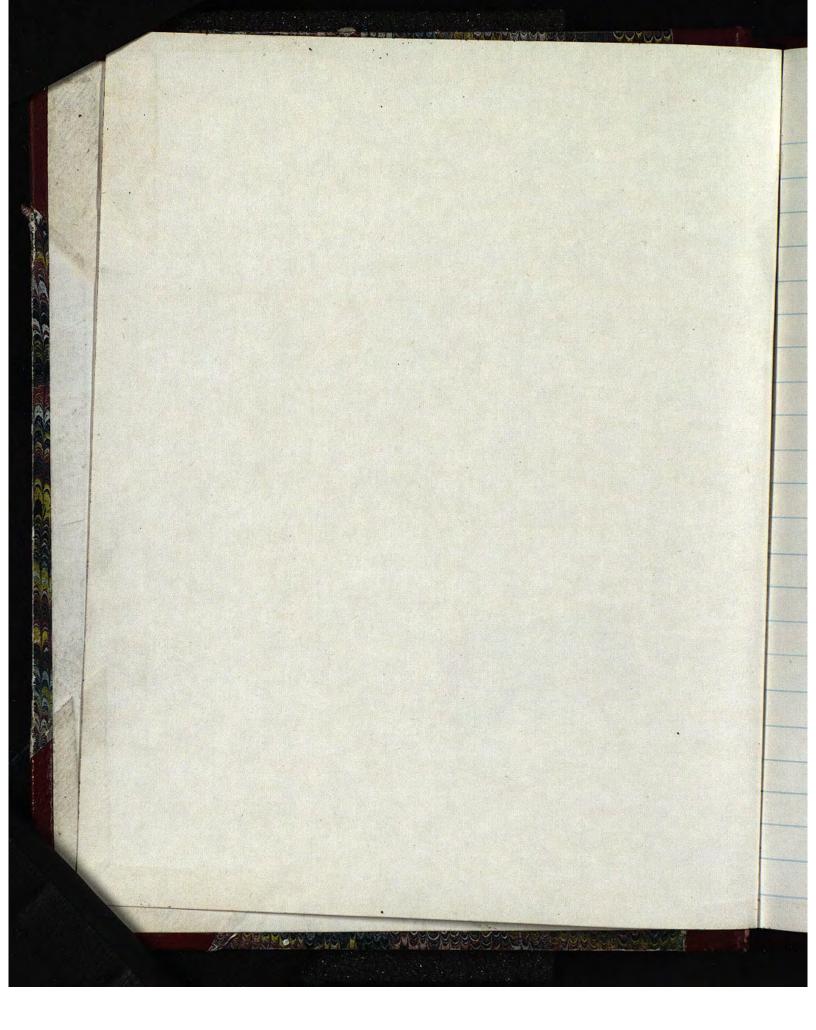
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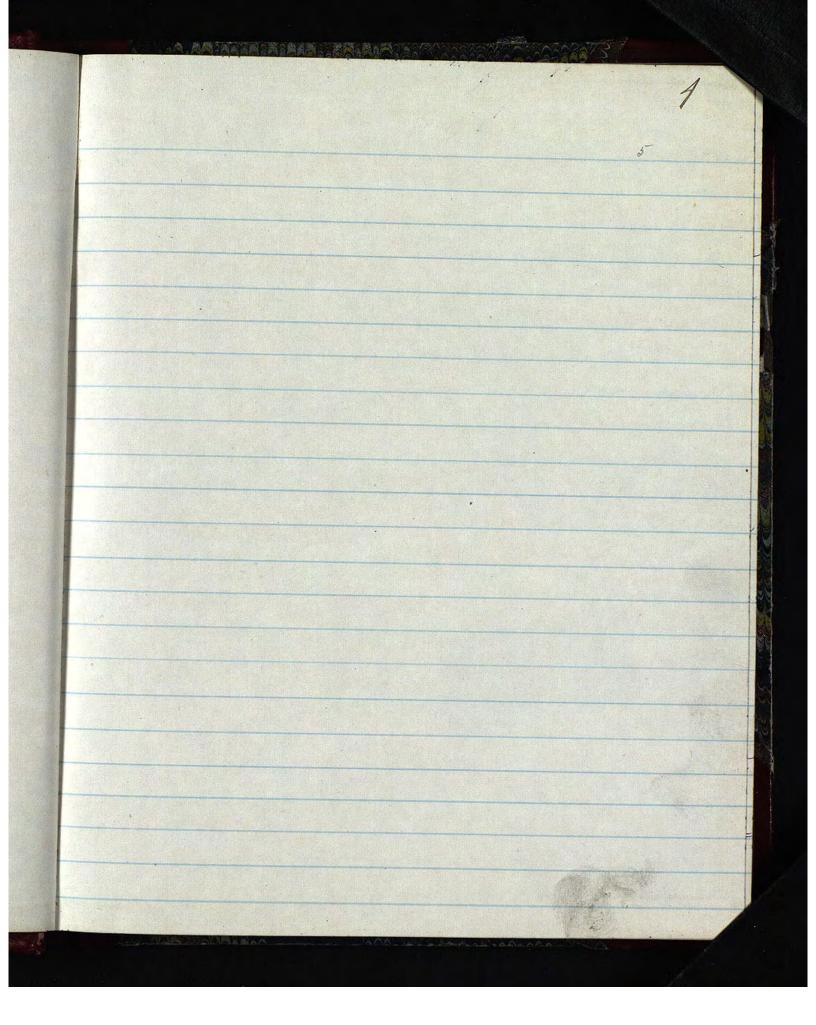
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Testimony of Benjamin F. Johnson On the first day of April a. D. eighteenhundred and forty-three (1843) President Joseph Smith, Orson Hyde and William Clayton and others came from Nauvoo to my residence in Macedonia or Ramus, in Hancock bo, Illinois, and were Joyfully welcomed by myself and family as our quests. On the following morning, Sunday April Second, Fresident Smith took me by the arm for a walk, leading the way to a Secluded Spot within an adjacent grove, where to my great surprise, he commenced to open up to me the principle of plural or Celestial marriage, but I was more astonished by his asking me for my Sister Almera to be his wife. I Sincerely believed him to be a prophet of God, and I loved him as such, and also for the many evedences of his kind= ness to me, yet such was the force of my education, and the Scorn that I felt !

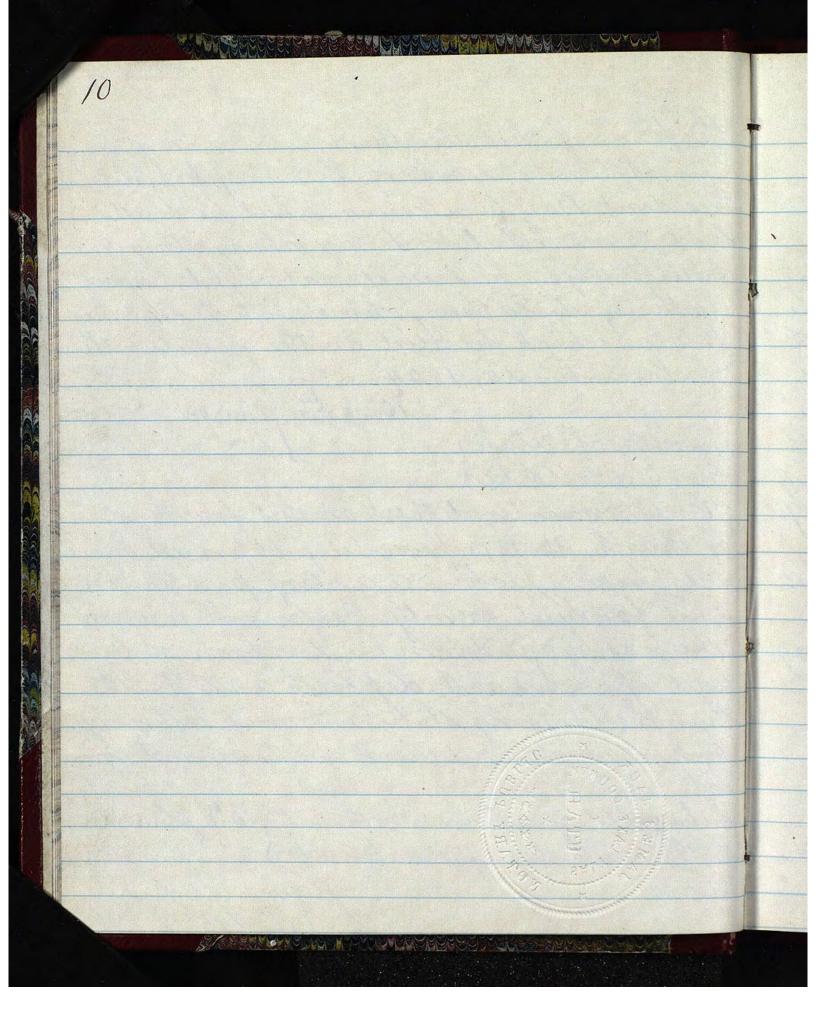
towards anything univertuous, that under the first impulse of my feelings I looked him calmly but firmly in the face and told him that, I had allways believed him to be a good main, 10 (1) and wished to believe it Still, and would try to " and that, I would take for him a message to my sister, and of the doctrine was true, all would be well, but if I should afterwards learn that it was offered to insult or prostitute my sister, I would take his life", with a Smile he replied, Benjam pi th in, you will never see that day, but you shall live to know that it is true, and reforce in it." He wished me to see my sister and talk to her, I told him I did not know what I could say to convince her, he replied, when you open your mouth, you shall be able to comprehend and you shall not want for evidence an nor words". Her also told me that

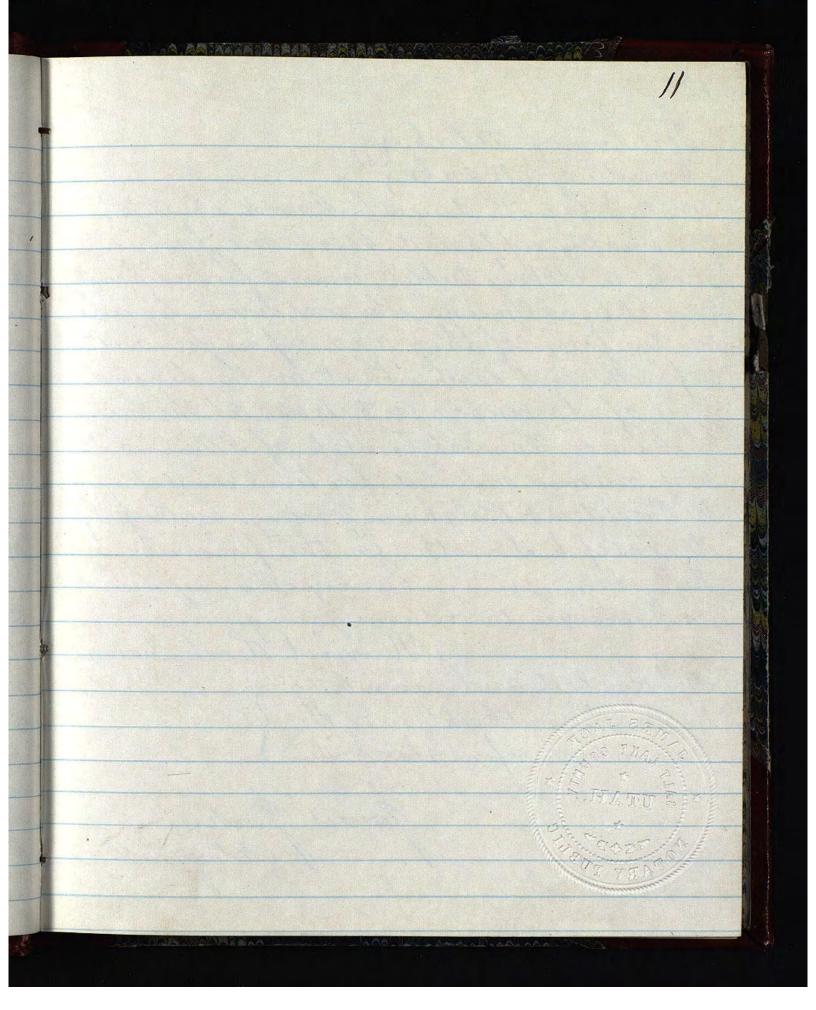
he would preach a Sermon that day for me, which I would understand, while the rest of the congregation would not comprehend his meaning. His Subject was the ten talents spoken of by the Lavior, Tento him that hath shall be given and he shall have abundently, but from him that hath not (or will not receive) Shall be taken away that which he hath, (or might have had") plainly giving me to linder Stand that the talents represented wives and children as the principle of enlargement throughout the great future, to those who were heirs of Salvation. I called my sister to private audience and with fear and trembling, and feelings that I cannot express commenced to open the Subject to her, when, Just as he had promised, the light of the nd Lord Shone upon my understanding e and my tongue was loosed, and I'at least was convinced of the truth of

what I was attempting to teach. My Sister received my testimony, and in a short time afterwards consented to become the wife of Trest Smith subsequent to this I took her to the bity of Nauvoo, where she was married or Sealed for time and eternity to President Joseph Smith, by his brother Hyrum, in the 100 presence of myself, and Louisa Beman who told me she had also been sealed or married to the Trophet Joseph, this Wa was at the residence of my Sister, the widow of Lyman R. Sherman, who also was a witness. After a Short period, Fresident Smith and company, viz. George Miller, William blayton, J. M. Smith and Eliza and ta Lydia Partridge, (who were the wives of the Prophet) came again to Macedonia (Ramus) where he remained two days, w lodging at my house with my Sister, as man W and wife, (and to my certain knowledge he occupied the Same bed with her.) Sis This visit was on the Sixteenth and

Seventeenth of may, eighteen-hundred, and forty-three, returning to Kanovoon the eighteenth. Again on the nineteenth day of October, the Same year, President Smith made us another visit at macedonia, and remained till the twenty-first, he was acco inhanied by William Clayton, at this time (Oct. 20) he Sealed my first wife to me for Time and all eternity. He visited usat other times and introduced ladies who accompanied him, as his wives, I think Lucy Walker was one of them. Tresident Smith also asked me for my Sister Esther, but I told him I thought She was engaged to be married to David J. Le Baron, but that he was free to take Mary Am Hale, an orphan girl whom my mother had raised, and who was then living with me, he Said "no - She is not for me, but it is right for you to take her yourself for a wife, and if your Sister Esther is engaged to be married, it is all right and in the presence of myfamily he talked to her on the Subject, but as I had Suspected, She was promised to be married. He also visited my mother at her Sa 160 residence in macedonia, and taught her in my presence and hearing the a to doctrine of celestial marriage, declairing that an Angel appeared unto him with a drawn sword, threatening to slay him if he did not proceed to fulfill the law that had been given to him. He also counselled my mother to be sealed to his uncle, Father John Smith, to which she consented, and to my certain knowledge was sealed to him Subsequently, by the Prophet. wi Previous to this I had commenced as the preparations to build me a brick house by in Macedonia, President Smith proposed, as my sister was now his wife, to furnish ec Su means to enlarge the building, and we 13. c would own and occupy it faintly, This plan was being carried out at

the time of his death. After the death of the Prophet, I told President Brigham young, what he had Said to me relative to my taking Many Ann Hule to wife, he said it was right, and authorized Father John Smith to Seal her to me, which he did on the fourteenth of November A.D. 1844. Serritory of rutah } &s. Be it remembered that on this fourth day of March A.D. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a notary public in and for Said bounty, Benjamin F. Johnson. who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath deposeth and South, that the forgoing Statements and testimony by him made and given are true and cornh Bubscribed and Sworn to by the Said B. F. Johnson B. F. Johnson the day and year above written





Gerritory of Utah Sol. On this fourth day of March A.D. 1870, personally appeared before me fames Jack a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Harriet book young, who was Sworn, by me in due form of law, and upon her oath deposeth and Saith, that on the Second day of November a. D. 1843, at the bity of Nauvoo, Hancock bo. State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed, for time and eternity to President Brigham young, by the profite et Joseph Smith, in the presence of Mary Am young, Janny Murray Smith and Augusta Adams young. Harriet Cook Boung Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Harriet book young the day and year first above written James Jack Oublie

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Territory of Whah 7 SS. On this fourth day of March a.D. 1870, personally appeared before me, James Jack a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Harriet book young, who was by me Swom in due form of law, and upon her oath deposeth and Saith, that on the Second day of November a. D. 1843, at the bely of Nauvoo, Hancock bo. State of Illinois, She was present and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of Fanny Murray to President Joseph Smith, for time and eternity, by President Brigham young; mary Ann young, and Augusta Adams young, being present. Hourriet book young Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Harriet book young the day and year first above written, Janies Jack Hotary Public

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Territory of Utah 3. On this fourth day of March a. J. 1870 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Clara Decker young, who was by me soom in due form of law, and upon her oath deposeth and Saith, that on the eighth day of May a. D. 1844, in the City of Nauvas, Hancock bo, State of Illinois, She was married or sealed for time and eternity to Frest. Brigham young, by Elder Willard Richards, one of the Twelve. by Sanction of Fresident Joseph Smith, and in the presence of Elder Lorenzo D. Young, his wife, Harriet J. Young, and Lucy Ann young. Clato Decker Gring Subscribed and Sworn to bythe Faid Clara S. young the dagand year first above written James Jack

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Territory of Utah 238. In County of Salt Lake } pea On this Seventh day of March a. D. 1870 personally whe appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Tublic wis in and for Said County, Joseph C. Kingsburry regi who was by me duly Iwom, and upon his eves oath deposeth and Saith, that onor about on The Fifteenth of July A.D. 1843, at the City of mor Nativoo, Hancock Co. State of Illinois, he doc wrote the Revelation on belestial or plural the marriage from the mouth of Bishop Newel Con K. Whitney as he read from the original, which asa was in his possession, Just previous to its reporfole ted destruction by Emma Smith. and that Pon the same, as published in the Desert News the Extra of September fourteenth, 1852 is Swo a true copy of the original. Eless Tingsbury Subscribed and Sworn to by the has Said Joseph 6. Kingsburry the day Eter and year first above written the. James Jack too =ed

Destimony of Lorenzo Snow In the month of April 1843 I returned from my European mission, a few days after my arrival at Nauvo, ly when at President Joseph Smith's house, he said he be wished to have Some private talk with me, and requested me to walk out with him; It was toward evening, we walked a little distence and Satdown on a large log that lay near the bank of the f river; He there and then explained to me the doctrine of plurality of soives, He said that the Lord had revealed it unto him, and Commanded him to have women seald to him ich as voives, - that he foresaw the brouble that would or- follow, and Sought to turn away from the Commandment - That an Angel from Heaven then appeared before him with a drawn I sword threatening him with destruction unaless he went forward and obeyed the Commandment. He further Said that my Sister Elija R. Snow e had been sealed to him as his wife for time and ag Eternity. He told me that the Lord would open I the way and I should have women sealed to me as wives. This conversation was prolong -ed I think one hour or more, in which he

20 told me many important things. I solemnly declare before God and Holy Angels, and as I hope to come forth in the 1 morning of the Reservation that the above Kno Statement is true. Serve (Signed) Lorengo Snow the Territory of Tetah 38. Box Elder County 38. an frea Tersonally Came beforeme J. C. Stan Wright, blerk of the County and Frobate Courts bili in and for the said bounty and Territory fre aforesaid, Lorenzo Snow, and who being Son duly Sworn deposeth and Says that the ano foregoing statement, by him Subscribed is he true of his own certain knowledge. 1861 Witness my hand and Seal ano of court, at my office in fore Seal Brigham City, Box Elder County Hu Wah Territory this 28th day who of August St. D. 1869. J. C. Wright, Clerk 10 ver

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Statement and Affedavit of 6. Merkley e I called upon Zenos H. Gurley at Henders onville, & Knox 60. Illinois in November 1860 and Spent Several days with him. He told me that after the church left Nauvoo, he found J. J. Strang, and continued with him until he was satis = fied that Strang was an impostor. He then Started out preaching upon his own responsito bility, which he continued for Several years, frequently sending deputations to Joseph Smith, g Son of the Prophet, to induce him to come forth and assume the leadership of the Church which he had raised up. But Joseph refused until 1860, when by the pursuasions of William Marks I and others who had Joined Jurley, he came 2 forward and was ordained Tresident of the ty High Preesthood, by the Said 3. 86. Jurley y who had never been more than a Seventy. Again in 1864 while on business to banada, I called on J. H. Gurley when the following Conversation occurred, I asked him if he believed that Joseph Smith was a fallen

22 Trophet; he answered, "no, he died a mar ap tyr." Then what will you do with the in Revelation Joseph received on Polygamy?" who Gurley- "he never had it." "Very well, then what up will you say about the wives that he had?" me yunley: I do not know that he had any." The Jurley, you do know, for how many times have you and I talked together about de Sister Emma's raising the devil with Joseph M about his wives?" Mr. Gurley's wife then spoke up and Said, He does know, bro. Merkley, and he lies when he says he does not!" I then said, Bro, Jurley, what did you do with your other wife?" he replied "I never had one." "Well", Said I, I did not know that, but I do know that you expected to get another about the time I left Nauvoo, for you told me so." (Signed) b. Merkley. Territory of utah 38. County of Salt Lake 38. Be it remembered that on this third day of August A. D. 1869, personally

23 appeared before me, fames Jack, a notary Tublic in and for Said County, Christopher Merkley, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith, that the foregoing Statements by him made, are true and correct. (Signed) 6. Merkley Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said 6. Merkley, this 3rd day of August a. D. 1869 (Signed) James Jack Notary Tublic Seal

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Nauvoo August 18th. 1842

Dear and beloved Brother and Sister,

I take this opportunity to communicate
Some of my fielings privately at this time,
which I want you three etternally to keep
in your own bosoms, for my feelingsare
So strong for you since what has passed
lately between us, that the time of my
absence from you seems so long and
dreary that it seems as if I could not
live long in this way: and if you
three would come and see me in this
my lonely retreat it would afford me
great relief of mind.

If those with whom I am alied do

love me now is the time to afford me Succour in the days of epile, for you know I foretold you of these things. I am now at barlos graingers just back of brother Hyrums farm, it is only one mile from town, the nights are

very pleasant indeed, all three of you can come and see me in the fore-part of the night, let brother Whitney come a little ahead and knock at the Southeast corner of the house at the window, it is next to the corn-field: I have a room entirely by myself, the whole matter can be attended to with most perfect Safety. I know it is the will of God that you Should comfort me now in this time uf of affliction, or not at all, now is the time or never; but I have no need of Laying any such thing to you, for 10 I know the goodness of your hearts, and that you will do the will of the n Lord when it is made known to you. The only thing to be careful of is if to find out when Emma comes, then you cannot be safe, but when she is not here there is the most per-=fect Safety, only be careful to esc= ape observation as much as possible. I know it is a heroic undertaking,

but so much the greater friendship, and the more fay. When I see you I will tell you all my plans, I cannot write them on paper.

Burn this letter as soon as you read it. Keep all locked up in your brests, my life depends upon it. One thing I want to See you for, is u to get the fullness of my blessing Sealed Whon our heads &c. you will pardon me for my earnestness on this subject, when you consider how lønesome I must be, your good feelings know how to make every allowance for i me. I close my letter. I think Emma won't come to night, if she don't, don't fail to come to night. I subscribe myself your most. obedient and affectionate companion and friend: Joseph Smith Territory of utak Gerritory of wan iss. bounty of Salt Lake & S. Be it known that on

this thirteenth day of August, A. D. 1869' personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Elijabeth Ann Whitney and Sarah Ann Smith (Kimball) who were by me Sworn in due form of law, and whon their oath Say, that the foregoing is a true copy of a letter written at barlos graingers, by Fresident Joseph Smith, dated, Nauvoo August 18th. 1842, to Newel K. and Elizabeth Ann Whit-= ney and their daughter Sarah Am Smith, who was married or Sealed to President Joseph Sonith July 27th. a. D. 1842. and further that they have this day deposited Said letter in the Historian's office in the country and bity of Salt Lake Signed ? Elizabeth Ann Whitney Sarah Ann Smith (Kimball) Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Elizabeth Ann Whitney and Sarah Ann Smith (Kimball) the day on this 13 the day of Aug. 1869 ames Jack Notary Public

18th.

Cerritory of Utah \ ss. Be it remembered that on This first day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Partridge, Tro. bate Judge in and for Said County, Eliza Maria (Partridge) Syman, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and whon her oath saith, that Sometime in the year 1843 in the bily of Nauvoo bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was witness to the marriag or Sealing of Lucy Walker to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, by William Clayton a high- Friest in Said Church, according to the laws of the same regulating marriage. (Signed) Eliza Maria Tarkedge Syman Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elija Mania (Partridge) Lyman (the day and year first above written) Edward Partridge Trobate Judge

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Serritory of Utah 788. Be it remembered that on this the first day of July a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, da Edward Partridge, Probate Judge, in and for Said Edi County Elija Maria (Partridge) Lyman, who was by bar me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her In. oath Saith, that on the eighth day of marcha. 8. 1843 Sar at the bity of Nauvos, bounty of Hancock State of ati Illinois She was married or Sealed to Joseph Ille Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ Tre of Latter-day Saints by Hebert. Kimball, one Sar of the Iwelve Apostles in Said Church, according aci to the laws of the Same; in the presence of Orson in Hyde. Do (Signed) Elija Maria (Fartridge) Syman Subscribed and sworn to by the Said & Elija Maria (Partridge) Syman the day and year first above written Edward Partridge Probate fudge

Gerritory of Utah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this first e, day of July A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me, d Edward Partridge, Probate judge in and forsaid County, Eliza Maria (I.) Lyman, who was by me er Iworn in due form of law and whon heroath 43 Saith, that on the eleventh day of Maya. S. 1843 f at the bity of Nanvoo bounty of Hancock State of Illinois, she was married or sealed to Joseph t Tresident of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day e Saints, by James Adams, a high-Priest in Said Church, , according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage, n in the presence of Emma (Hale) Smith and Emily Dow Tartridge. (Signed) Elija Maria (P) Lyman Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Seal Eliza Maria (T.) Lyman the day and year first above written Odward Partridge Probate Judge

Serritory of Utah 38. Be it remembered that on this first day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Edward Partridge, Frobate Judge in and for Said County, Oliza Maria (T.) Lyman who was by me sworn in due form of law, and uponher outh Saith, that on the eleventh day of May a.D. 1843, in the bely of Nauvoo, leaunty of Hancock State of Illinois, She was witness to the marriage or Sealing of Emily Dow Partridge to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints, by James Adams a high Friest in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same regulating marriage, Emma Smith being present. (Signed) Elija Maria (P.) Lyman Subscribed and sworn to by the said ; Eliza maria (F.) Syman the day } and year first above written & dward Partridge Probate Judge

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Gerritory of Utah } &. Be it remembered that on this light day of July A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me Edward Partridge, Probate Judgein and for Said County Martha M: Bride Kim= ball who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath South, that Some time in the Summer of the year 1842 at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Allinois, She was married or Sealed to oseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Heber 6. Kimball, one of the Twelve A postes in Said Church, according to the laws of the Same regulating Marriage. (Signed) Martha M. Bride Rimball, Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Martha M. Bride Kimball the day and year first above written Edward Partridge Trobate Judge

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Serritory of Utah 35. Be it remembered that on this third day of September a. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Hiram Winters, a Justice of the peace in and for Said County Mary Ann I ratt, who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon her oath saith that on the twenty-faurth day of July A. D. 1843 at the bety of Nanvoo, County of Hancock State of Minais The was married or Sealed to Parley F. Fratt, for time and eternity, by President Hyrum Smith, in the presence of many Ann young and Elizabeth Brotherton. (Signed) Mary Ann Fratt Seal Said many Ann Fratt the day (and year first above written) Hintens Justice of the Feace

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40 Cerritory of Utah 38. Be it remembered that on this third day of Septembera. D. 1869 personally appeared before me Hiram Winters a Justice of the Feace in and for Said county Mary Am Fratt, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith that on the twenty-fourth day of July A.D. 1843 at the bety of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, the was present and witnessed the marry = ing or Sealing of Elizabeth Brotherton to Parley J. Fratt for time and eternity, by Hyrum Smith Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints, in the presence of Mary Ann Young. (Signed) Mary Ann Fratt Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Mary Am Fratt the day and year first above written Hiram Winters Justice of the Feace A SECTION OF THE PROPERTY OF T

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42 Territory of Utah \ss. Be it remembered that on this fifth day of September A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me David brockett, a fustice of the Peace in and for Said county, Adeline Brooks Andrus Benson, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and upon her oath saith, that on the Twenty Seventh day of April a.D. 1844, in the bity of Nauvoo County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Erra T. Benson for time and all eternity, (he already having one wife by President Hyrum Smith; in the presence of Pamelia Andrus Benson, and also that her Sister Tamelia was Sealed to Egna J. Ben : Son Nov. 19-1843. (Signed) Adeline B. A. Benson Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Adeline Brooks Andrus Benson the day and year first above written David Crockett Justice of the Peace

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44 Territory of Utah \ 88. Be it remembered that on this Sexth day of September A. D. 1869 personally appeared beforeme, David brockett, a Justice of the Peace in and for Said country, Pamelia Andrus Benson acc who was by me sworn in due form of law, and day upon her oath Saith that on the nineteenth day 1. of November, a. D. 1843. She was married or Sealed our to Egra I. Benson, for time and all eternity by orch Hyrum Smith, in the presence of Adeline B. Andrus, her R. K Sister; which was done in the bity of Nauvo, bounty Prop of Hancock, State of Illinois. and further, on the all Twenty- Seventh day of April a. D. 1844, at the Same Mon place the was present and witnessed the marrying ma or Sealing of her Sister Adeline to her husband Ann 6. J. Benson, by President Hyrum Smith me (Signed) Tamelia A. Benson while was Secil Tamelie A. Benson, the day and year first above written. = Sent Jerso first above written. David brockette Instice of the Piace

Testimony of Orson Hyde Springtown, Sept = 15, 1869 h e, I, Orson Hyde, do hereby certify and declare a according to my best recollection, that on the fourth d day of September, I was married to Mils Marinda y A. Johnson, in Rirtland Ohio, in the year of led our Lord 1834. And in the month of February or (march (1843) I was married to Miss, Martha er R. Browitt, by Jaseph Smith the martyred Trophet and by him She was sealed to me for e all eternity, in Nauvos Illinois; and in the e Month of April of the Same year, 1843, I was ing married by the Same person to Mrs. Mary - Ann Price, and by him She was Sealed to me for time and all eternity, in Nauvos Illinois, while the woman to whom I was first married was yet living and gave her cordial cone sent to both transactions, and was present Jersonally to witness the Ceremonies. (Signed) Orson Hyde Sworn to and Subscribed to before me this -

46 Sifteenth day of September A. D. 1869 at Springtown, San Pete County, Wah Territory (Signed) George Brough We. Justice of Peace I hereby certify that the above named on George Brough is a Justice of the Peace Hoy for the Precinct of lof Springtown in in 1 the bounty of San Pete, utah Territory, Rer and that he is duly qualified in accord= fas ance with law; in testimony da of whereof I have hereunto bet my hand of and affixed the bounty bourt Seal of San Pete County, Istah Terretory at my office, manti bety, this to September 16 th. A. D. 1869. it (Signed) William J. Reid bounty blerk aw

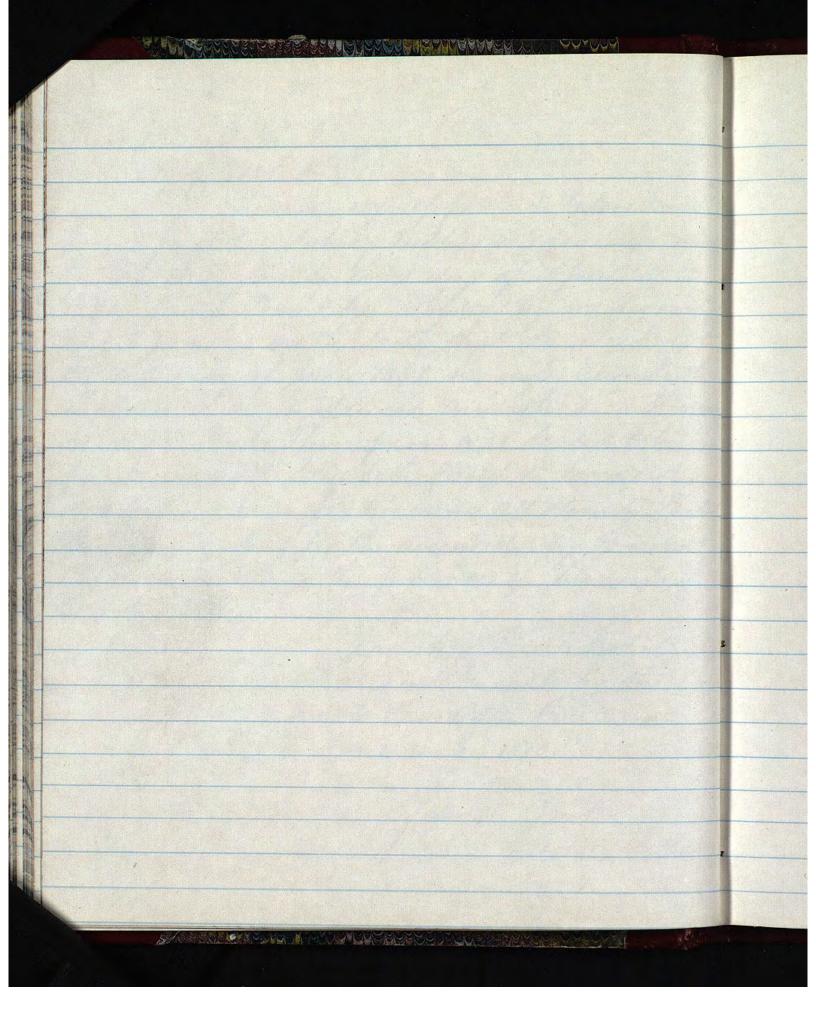
Salt Lake bity Oct. 10th. 1869 We hereby Jointly and Severally certify that on the twelfth day of August a. D. 1843, Hyrum Smith presented to the High Council, in his brick Office, at Nauvoo assembled, the Revolation of Celestial marriage, given to Joseph Smith, and written on the twelfth day of July 1843, and that the teaching of Hyrum Smith, refered to in the minutes of the Council on Said twelfth of August 1843, was on the Subject of Said Revela tion, endorsing the Same, and enforing it upon the Council. In testimony whereof we hereunto affix our names, this tenth day of Oct. 1869. David Fullmer Thouch hove Territory of retal 38, James & Allred bounty of Salt Lake 3 attest Jas. F. Smith Tersonally appeared before me

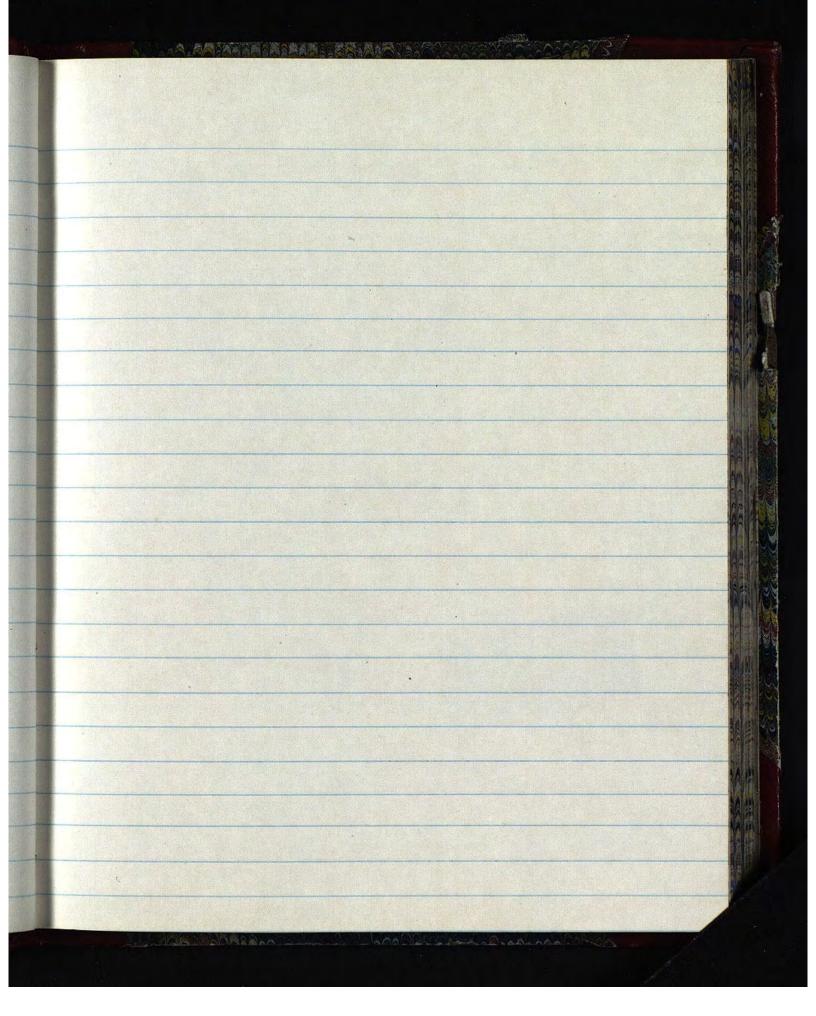
nty, Territory aforesaid, David Fullmer, Thomas Grover and Aaron Johnson, who were by me swom in due form of law, andupon their oath say that the foregoing statement by them made and signed, is true. David Fullmer Thomas nover Aaron Johnson Subscribed and Swam to by the Said David Fullmer, Thomas Grover and Aaron Johnson this 10. day of October A. D. eighteen hundred and Sixty-nine. Trobate Judge

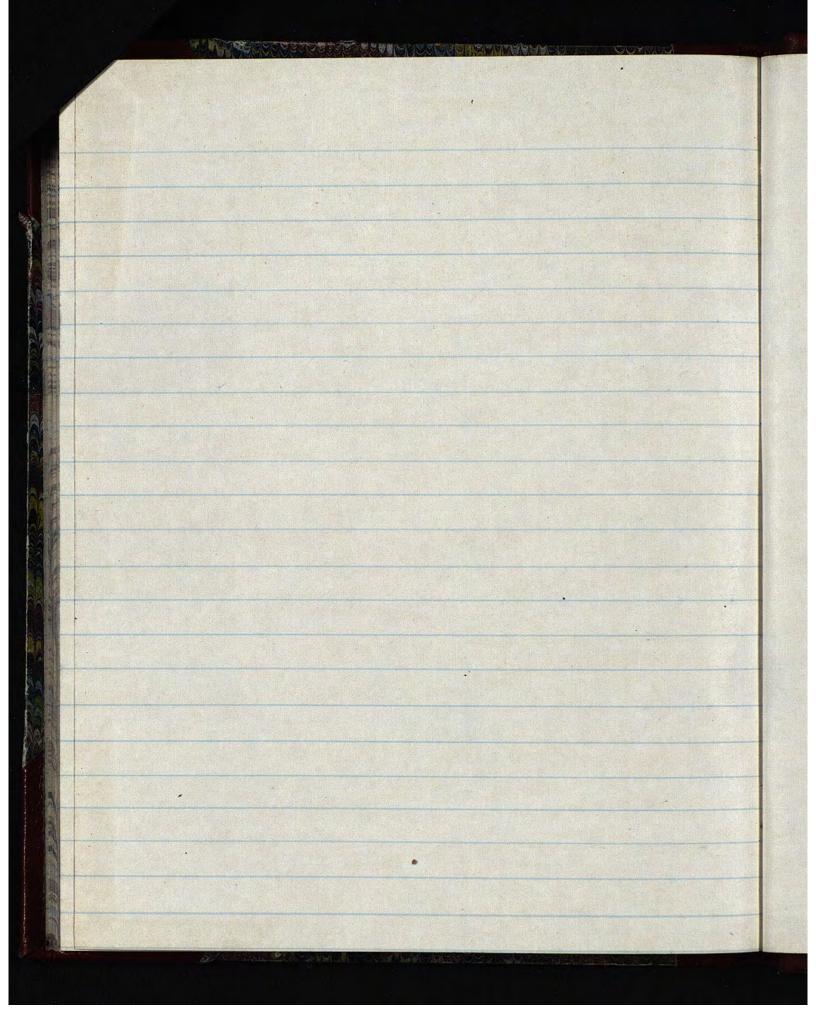
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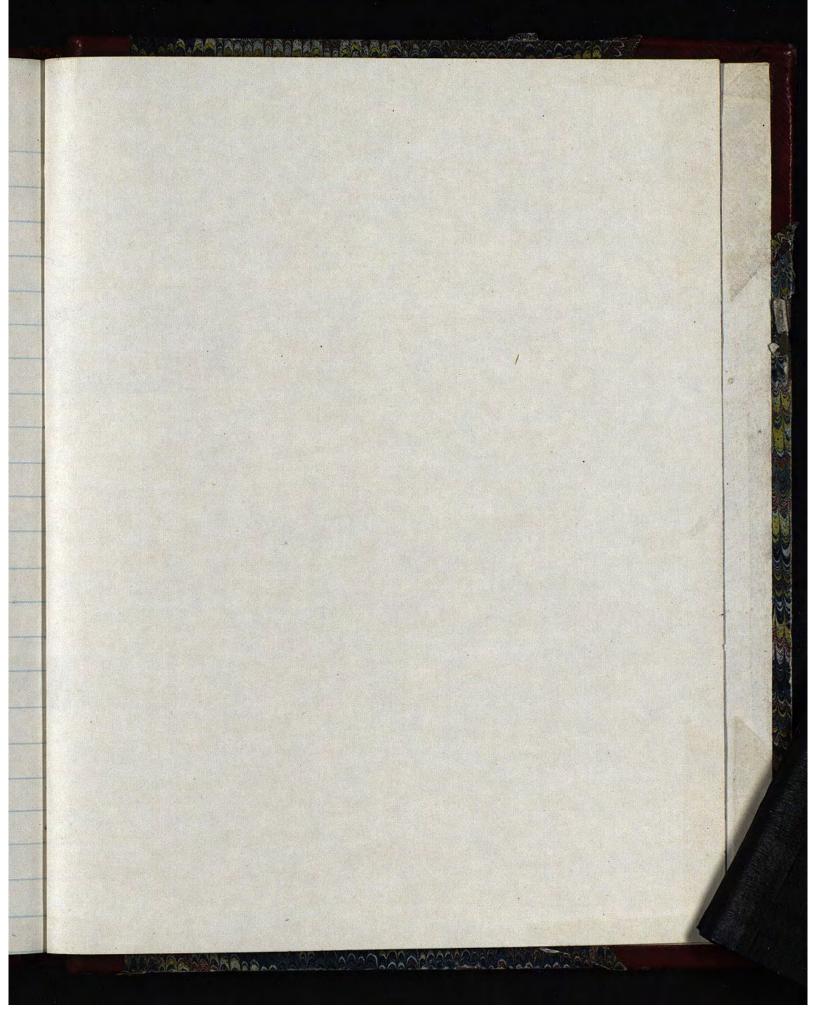
Gentry of Salt Lake } Tersonally appeared before me James Jack, a totary Public in V for Said Coun ty, on this twenty-third day of April a. D. 1870, Jacob Feart Sen, who was by me Sworn and upon his oath saith that on or about the 4th day of June 1841, his wife Elijabeth Holden, died in Nauvoo, and that in Novem ber 1843 Thebe Thompson was Sealed to him for time, and Elizabeth Holden, deceased, was Sealed to him for time and all eternity, Thebe Thompson acting for the deceased, by President Hyrum Smith, in the presence of his wife Mary Smith, Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Jacob Peart Sen. This 23od. day of April a. D. 1870. James Jack Notary Public

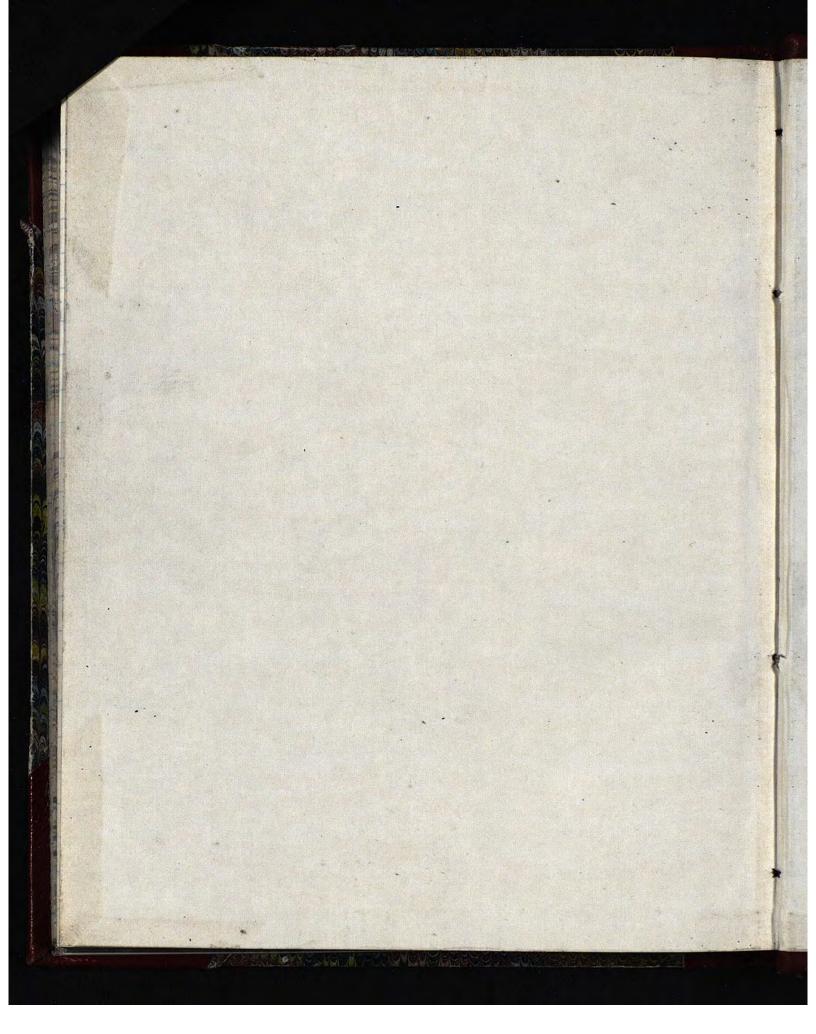
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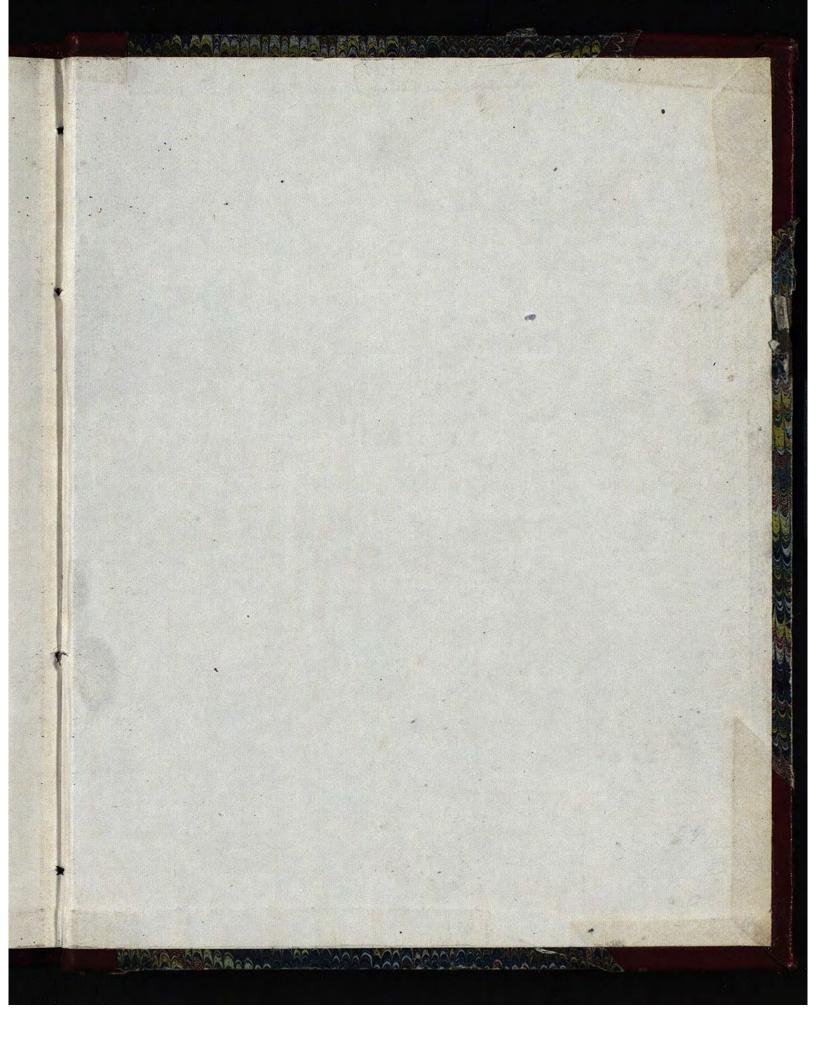


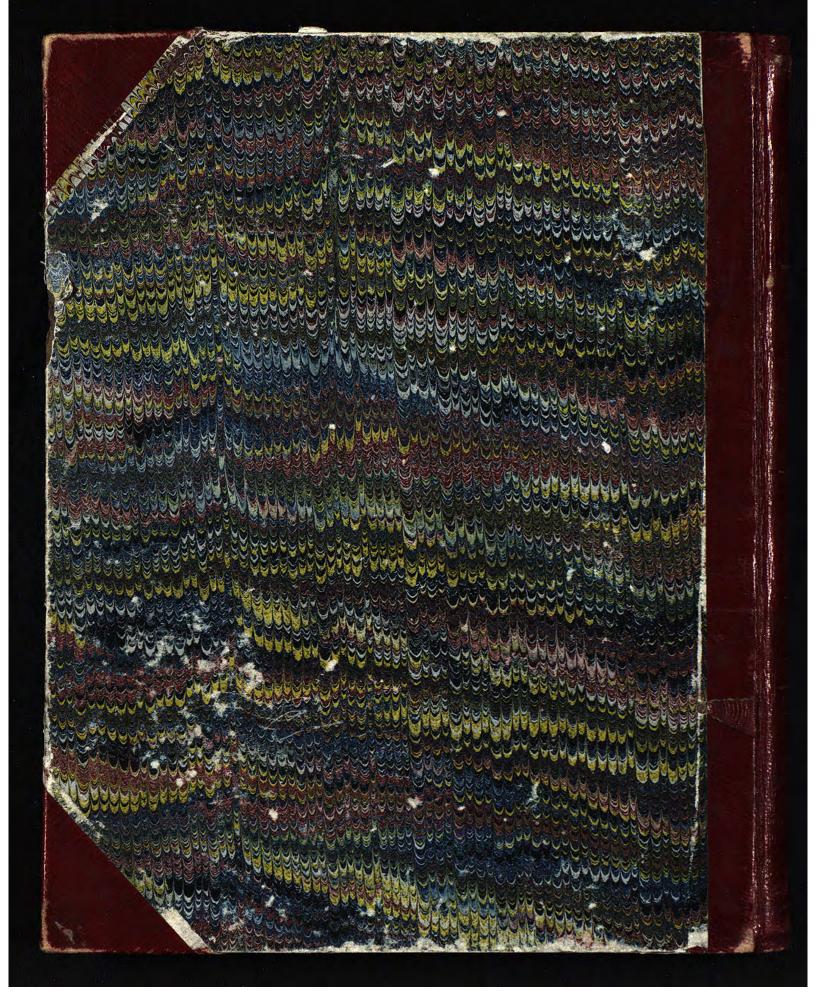








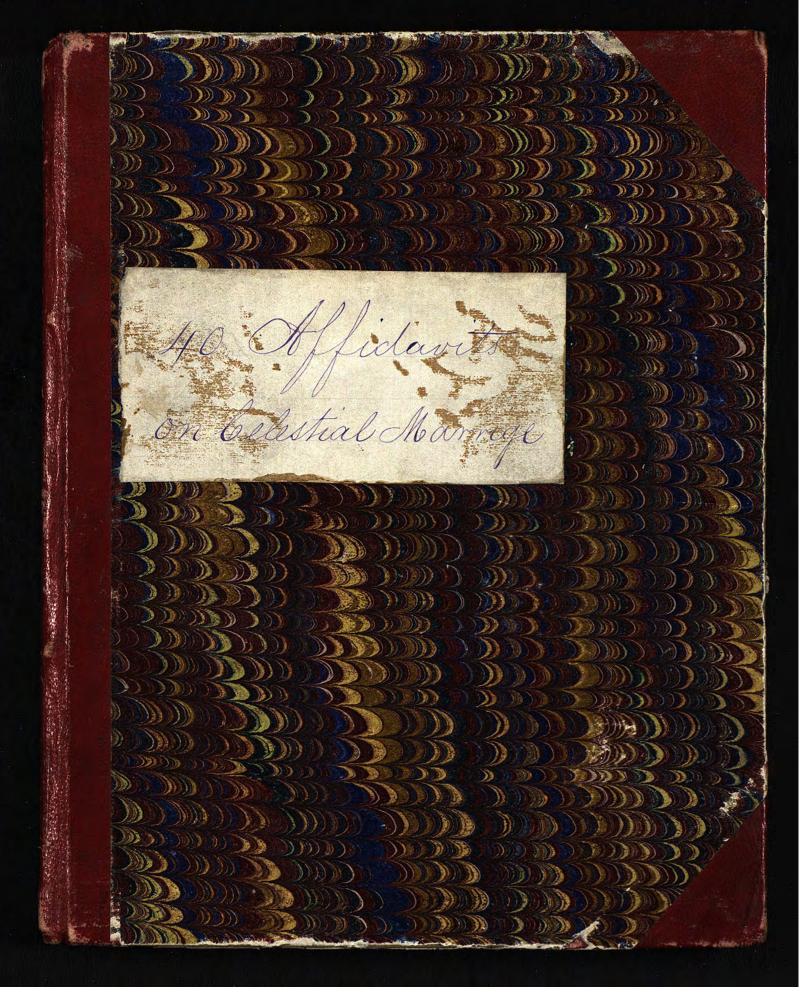




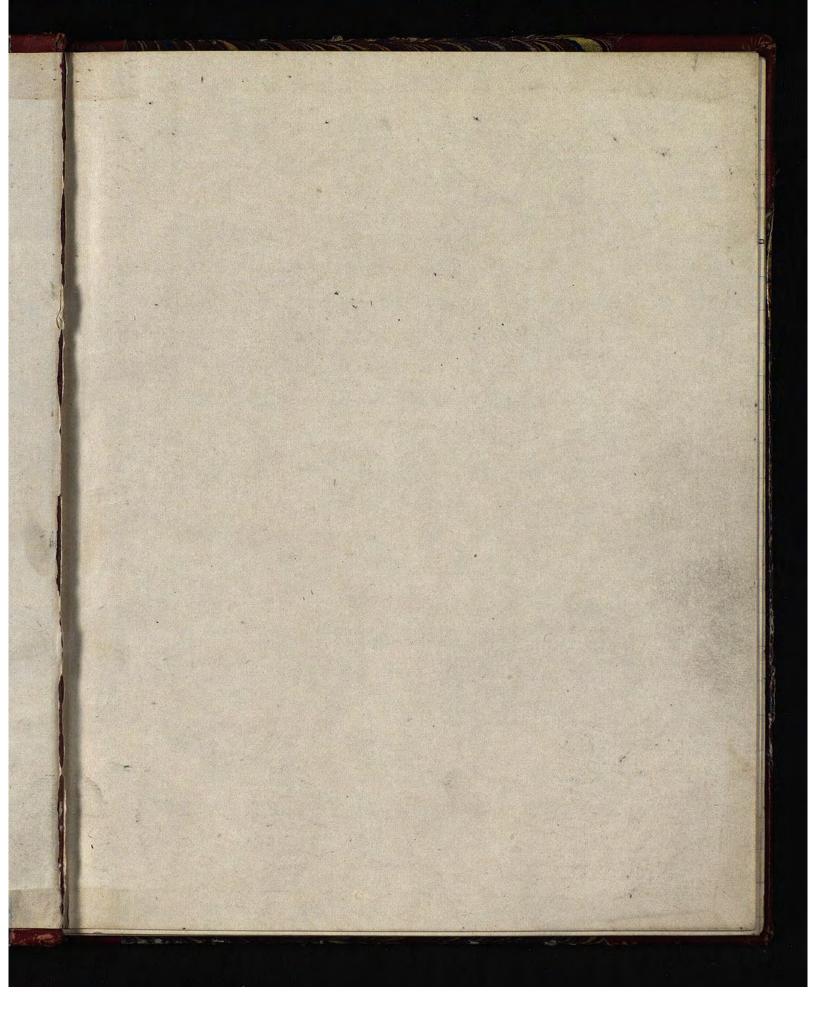
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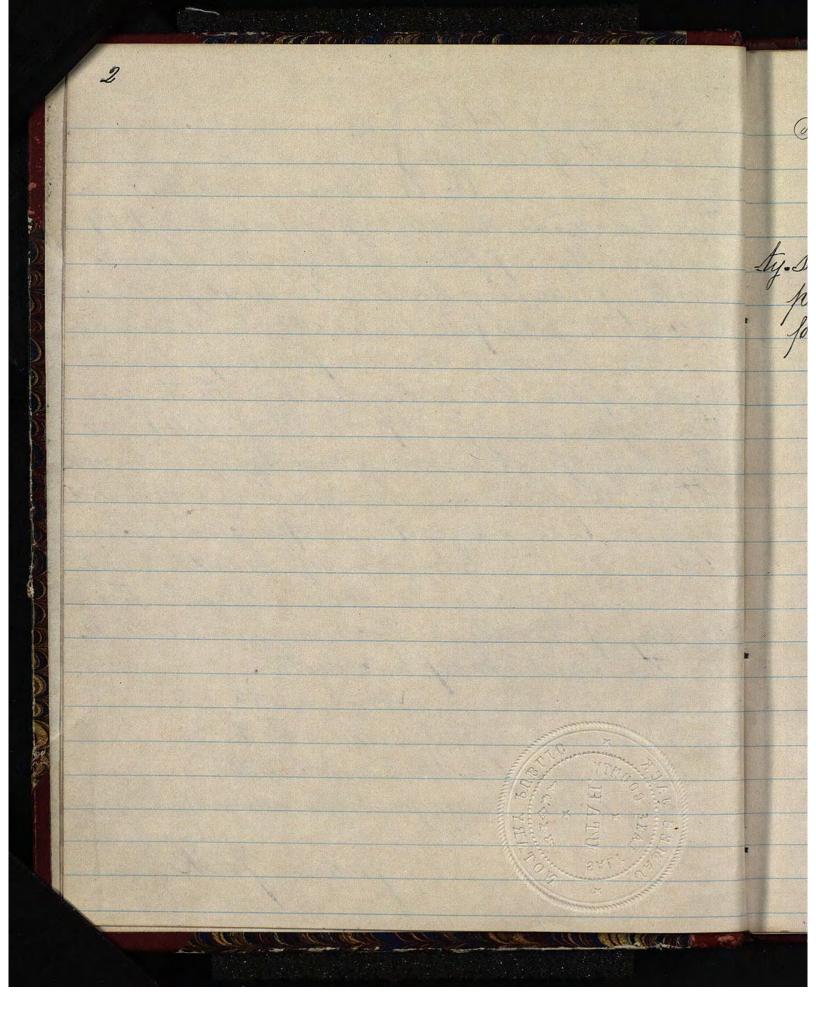


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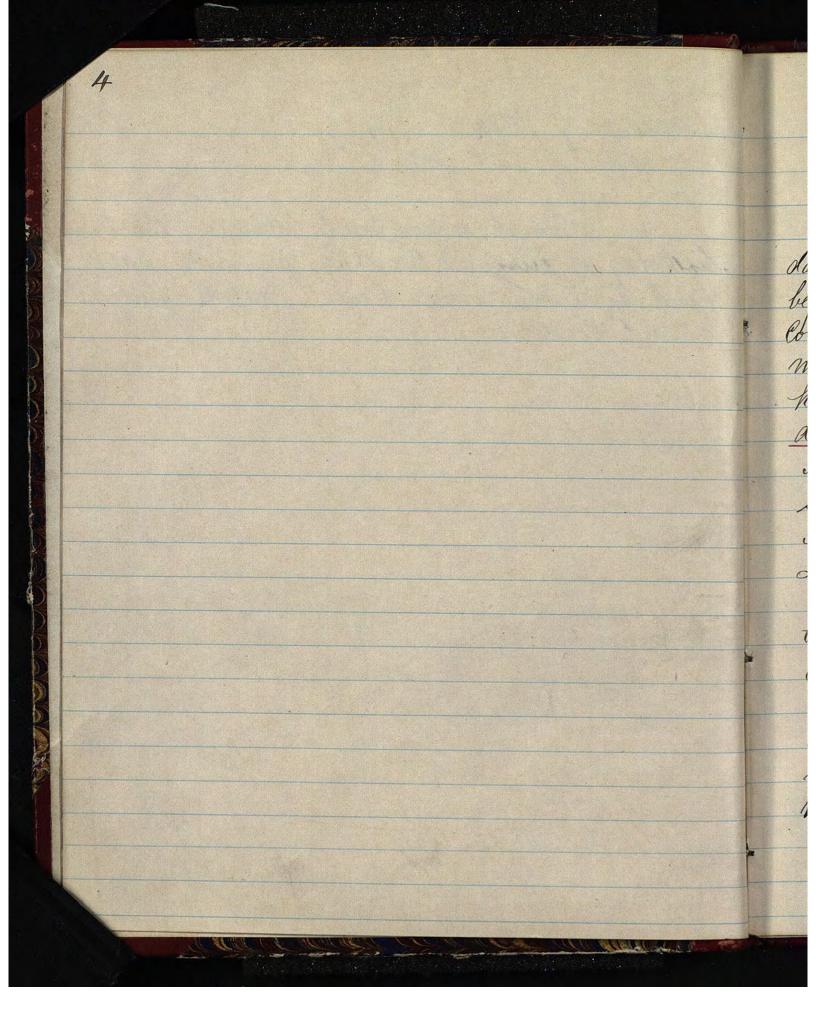


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Territory of Wate \ St. Be it remembered that on This twenty- Letth day of June A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for said County, Joseph Bates Noble, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith, that, on the fifth day of April A. D. 1841 at the bity of Nauvor, Country of Hancock State of Illinois, he married or sealed Touisa Beaman, to Joseph Smith Pris= -ident of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, according to The order of Celestial Marriage revealed to the said faseph Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Joseph Bates Noble the (day and year first abovewritten) James Jack



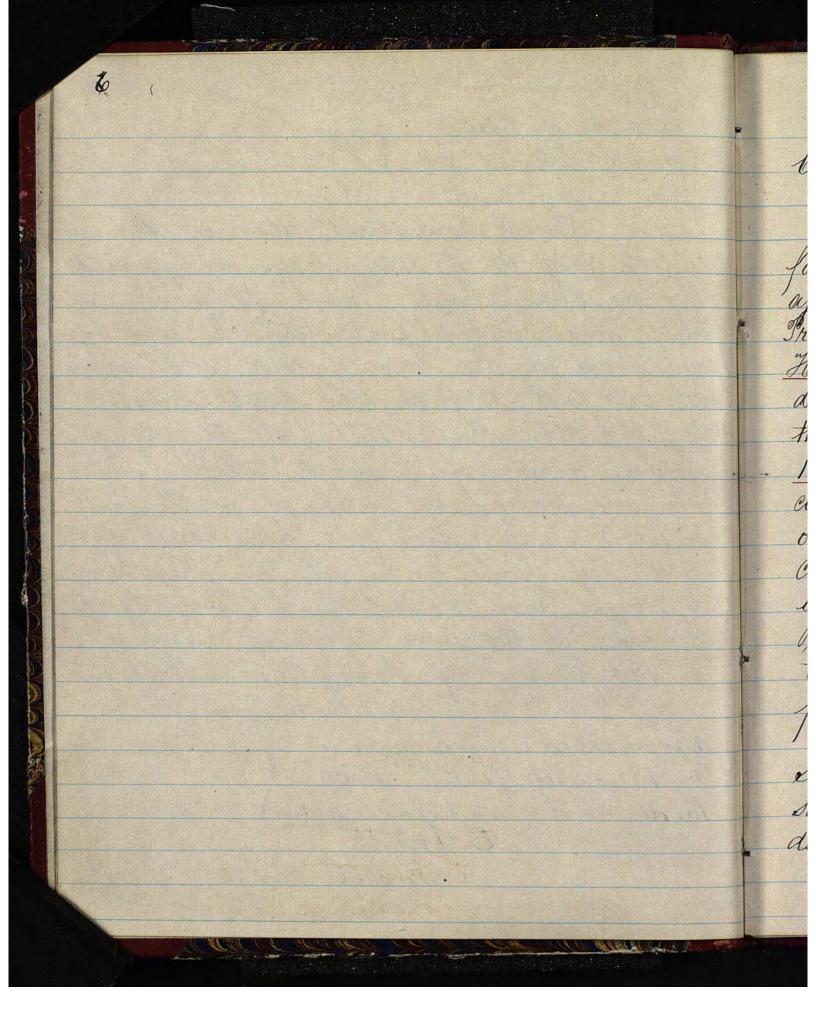
Forting of Utah Solo S. S. Be it remembered that on this twen Ly. Sixth day of frame A. D. 1869, personally ap = peared before one Elias Smith, Frobate Judge for said County,



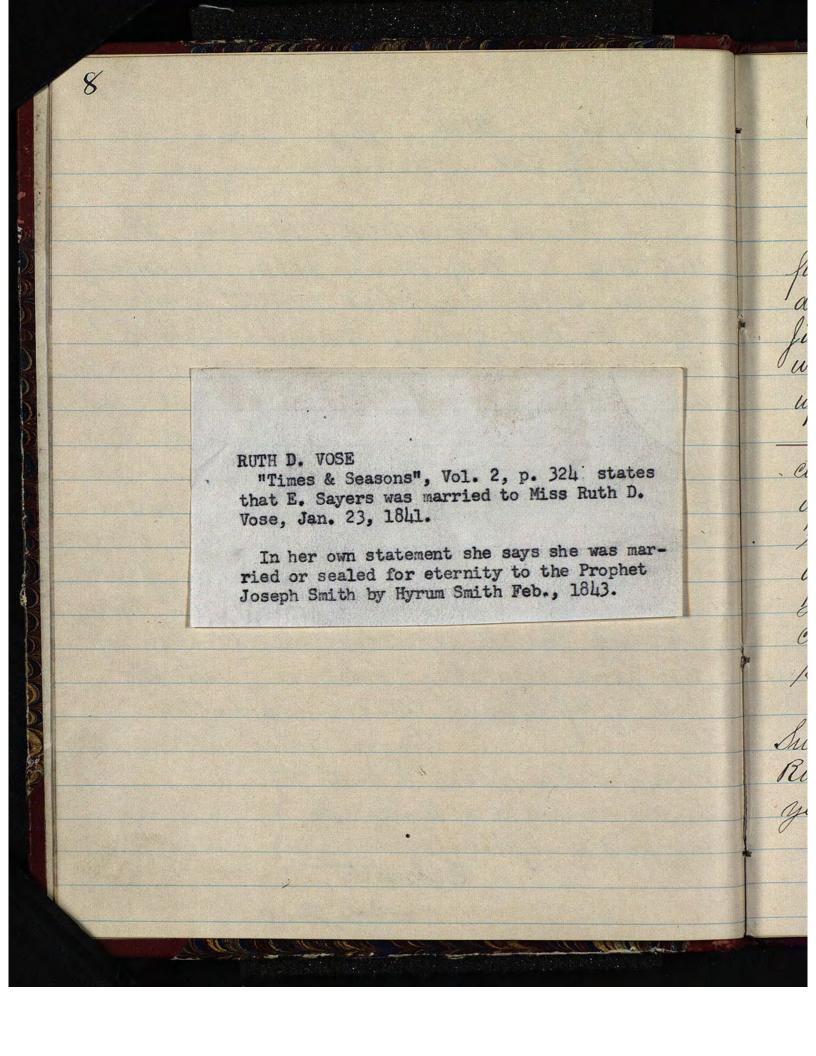
Territory of Utah, bounty of Salt Lake, & f.

Be it remembered that on this first day of May a. d. 1869, personally appeared before me, blias Amith Probate, Judge for said County, Zina Diantha Huntington wisho was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath faith, that on the twenty seventh day of October U. W. 1841, at the city of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, Hate of Illinois, She was married or fealed to Joseph Smith, Tresident of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Winnick B. Huntington a, High Priest in said church, according to the laws of the fame regulating marriage; in the presence of Farmy Mariah Huntington. Zino D. O. M. Myoung Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Jena D. H. Young the day and year first above written)

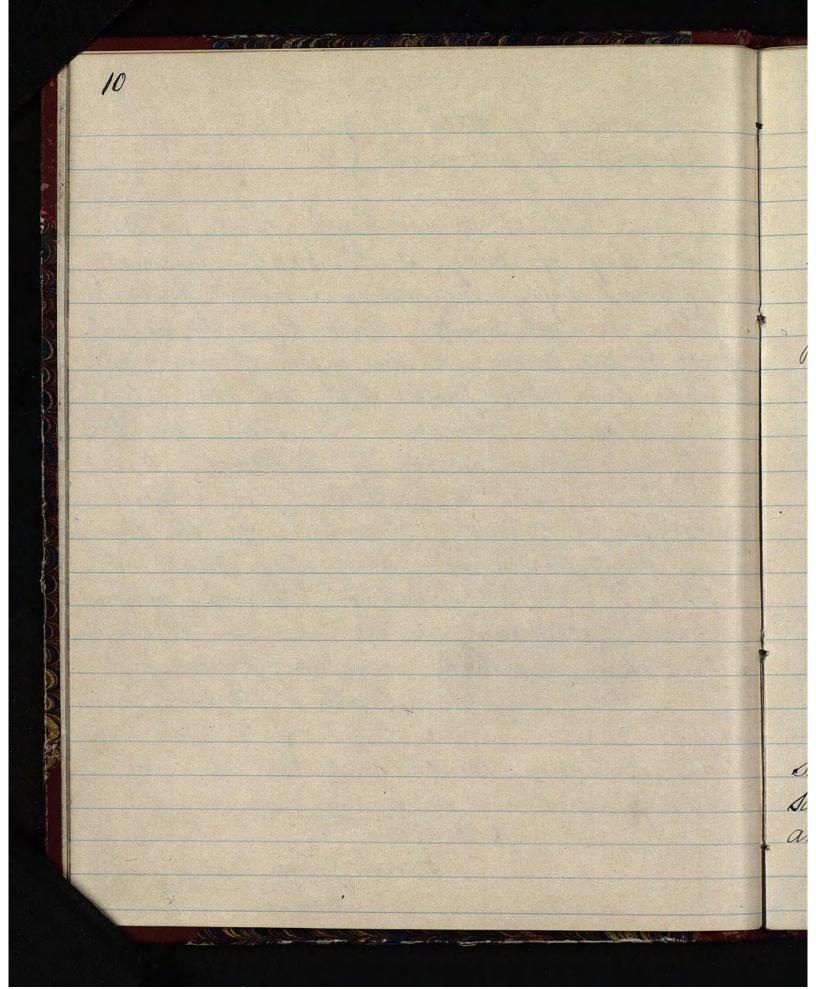
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Territory of Utah bounty of Satt Lake & f. Be it remembered that on this first day of May a. D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Clias Smith, judget of Thobate for said County, Prescenda Lathrop Huntington, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath faith that on the eleventh day of December a. D. 1841, at the city of Nauvos, country of Han= cock, State of Illinois, she was married or fealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Jaints by Wimick B. Huntington a High Priest I'm faid church, according to the land of the Jame regulating marriage; in the presence of Fanny Maria Huntington Tresendia L. H. Kimball Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Tresenda L. H. Kimball the day and year first above written E. Smith Probate Judge



Territory of Ottah ! Is. Be it remembered that on this first day of May, a. D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Clias Smith, Probate lidge for Said County, Ruth Pose Tayers, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath faith that on the day of Hebruary, a. D. 1843, at the city of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, she was married or fealed to Joseph Smith, President of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Jaints by Hyrum Smith presiding Patriarch of Jaid Church, according to the laws of the Jame Regulating marriage; in the presence of-Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Ruth V. Sayers, The day and year first above written Probate Judy,



Territory of Utah bounty of falt Lake & fs. Be it remembered that on this first day of May, a. D. 1869, personally appeared before me, Elias Smith, Probate Judge for said County, Emily how Partridge Young, who was by me swow in due form of law and upon her oath faith that on the fourth day of march a. R. 1843, at the city of Neuroo, County of Hancock, Hate of Ollinois, she was married or fealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter - day Saints by Heber C. Kimball one of the Twelve apostles of said church, ac = = cording to the laws of the Jame regulat= =ing marriage; in presence of Emily D. P. Moung Subscribed and Sworn to by the

Said Emily D. F. Young, the day and year first above written

Probate Judge

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Territory of Utah, County of falt Lake . \ fs. Be it remembered that on this first day of May, a. n. 1869, personally appeared before me blias Smith, Judge of Brobate for Said County, Emily Dow Partudge Young, who was by me snow in due form of law, and upon her oath faith that on the eleventh day of may, a. D. 1843, at the city of nauroo, County of Hancock, Hate of Illinois, she was married or feated to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by James Adams & High Priest in said church; according to the laws of the fame jugulating marchage; in the presence of Emma (Hale) Smith and Cliza Maria Fartidge Emily D. F. Moung Zyman] Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Emily D. T. Young, The day and year first above written Probate Judy

Territory of Utah, \ fs. Be it remembered that on this first day of May a. A. 1869, personally appeared before me, clias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Marinda Nancy Johnson Hoyde who was by me sworn in due form of lawand ripon her oath faith that on the day of may, a. h. 1843, at the city of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Allinois, she was married or fealed to Joseph Smith, President of the church of Jesus Christ of-Latter day Saints by Brigham Moung, Fresident of the guorum of the Tuelve apostles of said church, according to the lours of the Same pegulating marriage; in the presence of Eliza Maria (Partidge) Lyman and Emily how (Partridge) Young Mr. M. J. Hyde Subscribed and swom to by the

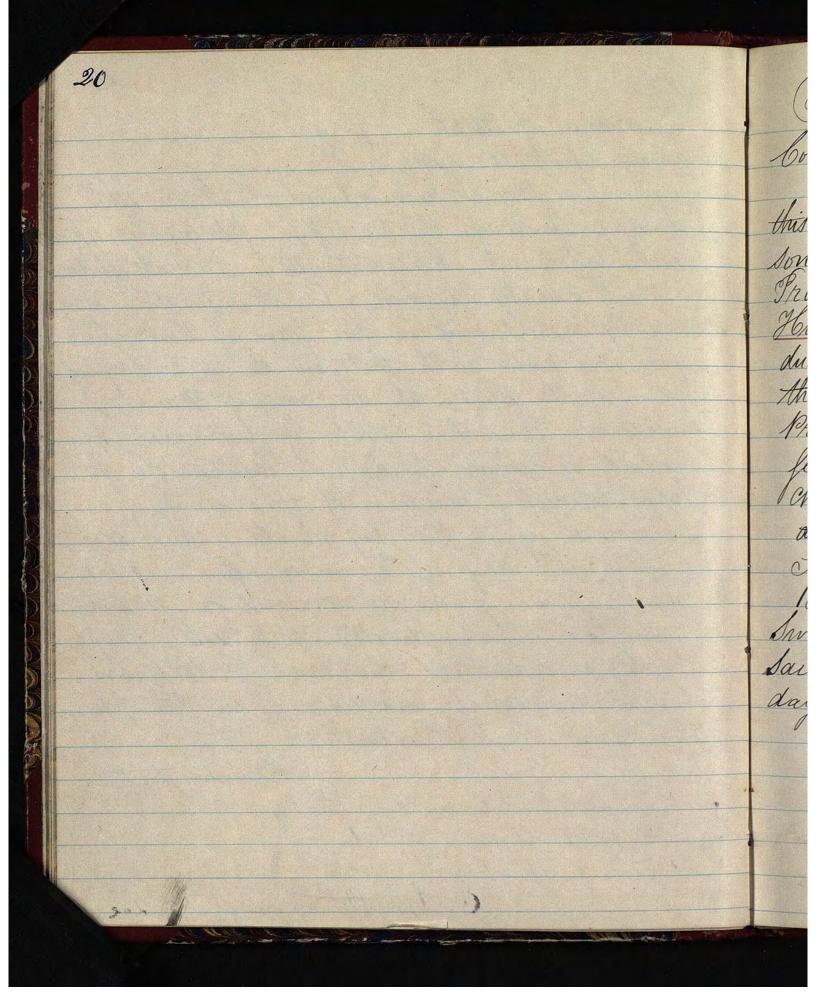
Subscribed and sworn to by the Said M. S. J. Hoyde, the day and year first above written

E, Smith Probate Judge

Territory of attach County of falt Lake & f. Be it remembered that on first day of May, a. D. 1869, personally apheaved before me, Clias Smith, Probate udge for faid County Schoda Richards was by me swown in due form of law and upon her oath faith that on the twelfth day of fune a. W. 1843, at the city of Nourvo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, she was married or fealed to Joseph Smith President of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Willard Richards one of the Tuelve apostes of said church, according to the land of the Jame regulating marriage; in the presence of Palvoda Ochefrands Subscribed and Swornto by the Said Rhoda Richards, The day and year first above written E. Smith Probate Judge

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Serritory of What County of fatt Lake & fs.
Be it remembered that on this Pirst day of May d. D. 1869, personally ap= peared before me, Clias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Dinich B. Huntington, Who was by me sworm in due form of law, and upon his oath faith, that on the 27th day of Ochber a. D. 1841, at the city of Nauroo, bounty of Hancock, State of Menois, he married or fealed Zina W. Huntington to Joseph Smith, President of the church of Jesus christ of Latter-day Saints; and also on the 11th day of December 1. D. 1841 at the fame place he married or fealed Trescended L. Huntington to the sail Smith according to the land of the faid Church regulating marriage; in the of Farry M. Huntington V. B. Huntengton Subscribed and Swom to by the Said D. B. Huntington, the day and year first above written) E. Smith Probate Indge



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Be it remembered that on this first day of May a. D. 1869 per = sondly appeared before me, Clias Smith, Probato Judge for faid County, Farmy Maria Huntington, who was by me poore in due form of law and depon her oath faith that she was present when Zina W. and Presendia L. Huntington were married or fealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus christ of Latter day faint, at the city of nauvoo, bounty of Hancock Hate of Illinois, in the Tall of the year Farry Maria Huntington Sworn and Subscribed to by the Said Farmy Muria Hunting ton The day and year first above written Probate Judge

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Territory of Utah 38. Be it remembered that on this Twentieth day of May A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me, fames Jack a notary pub lie in and for Said County Malissa Latt Willes who was by me sworn in due forme of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the twentieth day of September A. I 1842 at the bity of Nauvos, County of Hancock State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints by Hyrum Smith, Presiding Patriarch of Said Church according to the laws of the Same, regulating marriage; in The presence of Comelius F. Latt, and Permelia Latt, Malisso Lott Milles Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Malissa (Lott) Willes, the day and year first above written James Jack Motory Public

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Servitory of Utah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this Seventh day of June A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a notary public in and for said County Eliza Potos Snow, who was by me Sworn by in due form of low, and upon her oath Saith, that on the Moenty-ninth day of June A. D. 1842 at The bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jusies christ of Latter day Saints, by Briga ham young, president of the Quorum of the twelve Apostles of said church, according to the laws of the Same regulating Marriage, in the presence of Sarah Mo. Cleave =+ land. Eliza R. Snow, Imith;

Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elija Rojoy Snow the day of and year first-above written

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Be it remembered that on this fifteenth day of June A.D. 1869, personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said county, David Fullmer, who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon his oath Saith, that on or about the twelfthe day of Aug a. S. 1843, while in meeting with the High Council, (he being a member thereof) in Hyrum Smith's brick office in the bity of Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, Dunbar Wilson made enguing in relation to the Subject of a plurality of wives, as there were numers about, respecting it, and he was satisfied there was something in those rumors, and he wanted to know what it was, upon which To your Smith Stepped across the road to his Residence, and Soon returned, bringing with him a copy of the nevelation on Celestral Mariage, given to Jaseph Smith July 12 A. S. 1843, and read the Same to the High Council, and bore testimony to its truth. The said David

Fullmer further Saith that, to the best of his memory and belief- the following named pers= ons were present, Am Marks, Austin A. Cowles , Samuel Bent, Geo. W. Harris, Dunbar Wilson, Arm Huntington, Levi Jackman, Haron Johnson, Thomas Grover, David Fullmer, Thinehas Richards, James Allred, and Leonard Soby. and the Said David Fullmer further South, that, Mm Marks, Austin A. Cawles and Leonard Soby were The only persons present who did not receive the testimony of Hyrum Smith, and that all the others did receive it, from the teaching and testimony of the said Hoyoun Smith. and further, that the copy of Said Revelation on Celestial Marriage, published in the Deseret Mus Extra of September Jourteenth A.D. 1852, is a true copy of the same. David fullmer Subscribed and Swom to by the) Said David Hillmer the day and year first above written, games Jack Motary Public

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Certificate I Lovina Walker, hereby certify that while I was living at with Aunt Emma Smith, in Fulton bity, Fulton bo. Illinois in the year 1846, that She told me that she, Emma Smith, was present and witnessed the Marrying or Sealing of Clipa Partridge, Carrily Partridge Maria Lawrence, and Sarah Lawrence to her husband, Joseph Smith, and that she gave her concent thereto. Lovinia Halker We hereby witness that Lovina Walker Made and Signed The above Statement on This 16 day of June A. D. 1869, at Salt Lake bit, S. L. County, Whoh Territory, of her own freewill, and accord. Hyrum S. Halker Sarah O. Smith Jas. It Smith

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32 Territory of Wah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this Seventeenth day of June A.D. 1869personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said Country, Desdemona Fullmer Smith who was by me Swom in due form of law, and upon her outh South that on the day of July A. D. 1843 at the bity of Nauvos, County of Han= cock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed to Joseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, by Brigham Young, President of the Zuorum of the Iwelve Apostles of Said Church acc= ording to the laws of the Same, regulating marriage, in the presence of Heber b. Rimball. Desdernona, Fullmoi Smith. Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Desdemona Gillmer Smith The day and year first above written James Jack Aday Public

34 Territory of Wah 38. Be it remembered that on this nineteenth day of June A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me, Elias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Mercy B. Thomp: Son, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that on the eleventh day of August A. D. 1843 at the bity of Nauroo, bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, she was married or sealed to Hyrum Smith (for time) Presiding Pat= -rearch of the Church of Jesuschrist of Latterday Saints, by Joseph Smith, President of Said Church, according to the laws of The Same regulating marriage; in the presence of Mary Smith; her sister. Mercy the Thompson Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Mercy R. Thompson the day and year first above written Esmillo Parlate Judge

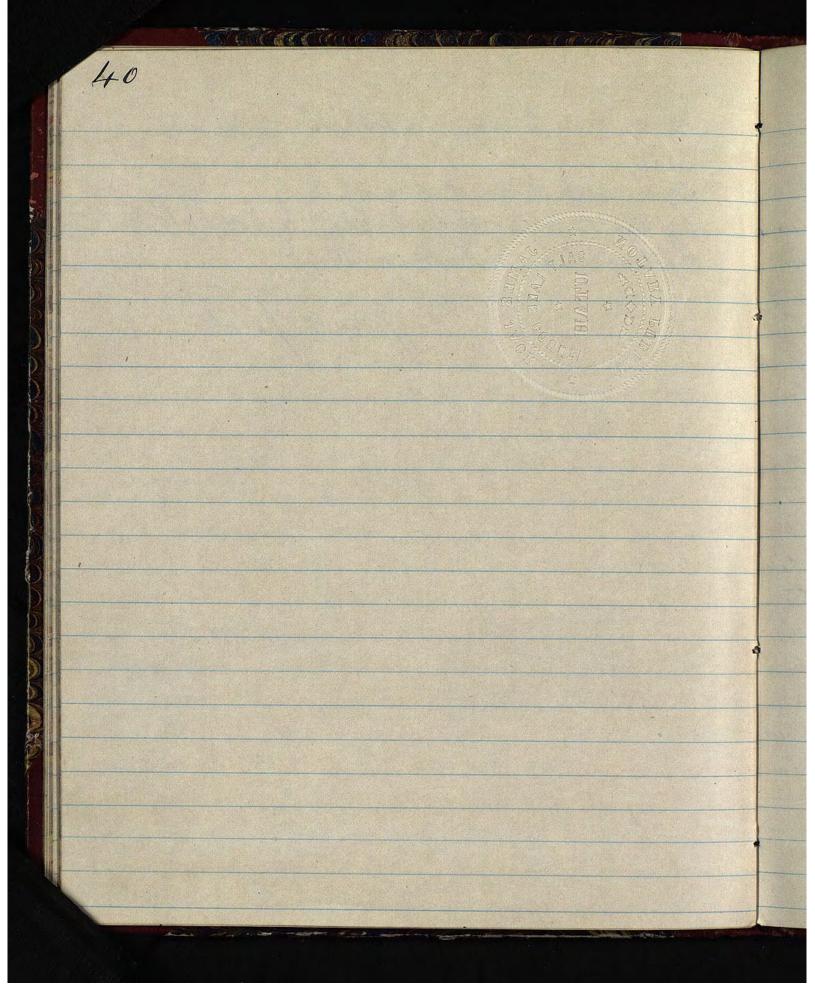
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36 Ternisory of Witah } SS. Be it remembered that on this ninteenth day of June A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me Elias Smith, Probate Judge for Said County, Sarah Ann Kim= ball who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath saith that on the twenty- Seventh day of July, A.D. 1842 at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married on Sealed to Jaseph Smith, President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, by Nervel K. Whitney, Presiding Bishop of Said blurch, according to the laws of the same regulating marriage, in the presence of Elizabeth Ann Whitney, her mother, Surate A. Thingsbull Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Sarah Ann (Whitney) Kimball the day and year first above written) 6 smith protete Judge

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38 Territory of that Ist. Be it remembered that on This twenty sixth day of June A.d. 1869 personally defeared before me James Jack a Notary. Public in and for Said Caunty Laseph Bates Nable, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath South that in the fall of the year A. S. 1840 Jaseph Smith, the Prophet, taught him the principle of Celestial marriage, or a plurality of wives, and that the said Joseph Smith declarred that he had received a Revelation from god on the Subject, and that the Angel of the Lord had Commanded him Gaseph Smith) to more forward in the Said order of marriage, and further, that the Said Joseph Smith, requested him, (fas. Bates Noble) to Step forward and assist him in carrying out said principle, Saying- "in revealing this to you placedmylife in your hands, therefore do not in an evil hour

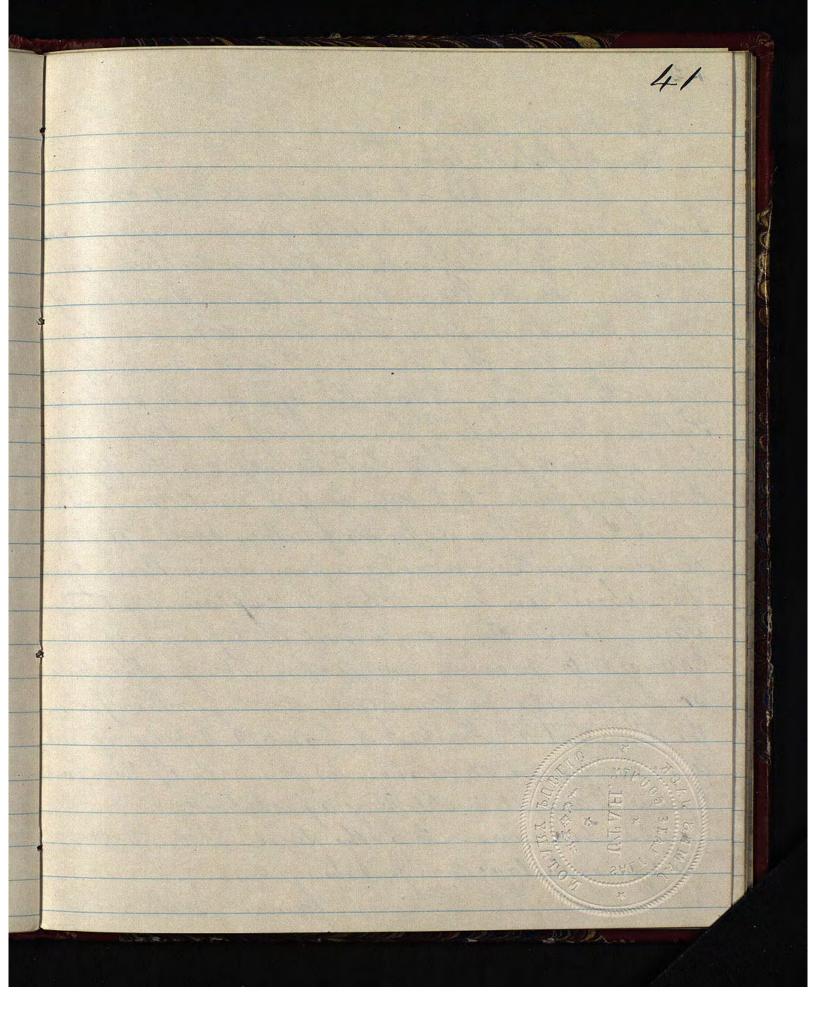
betray me to my enemies." Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Jas. Bates Noble the day & Georfiss & above written James Jack



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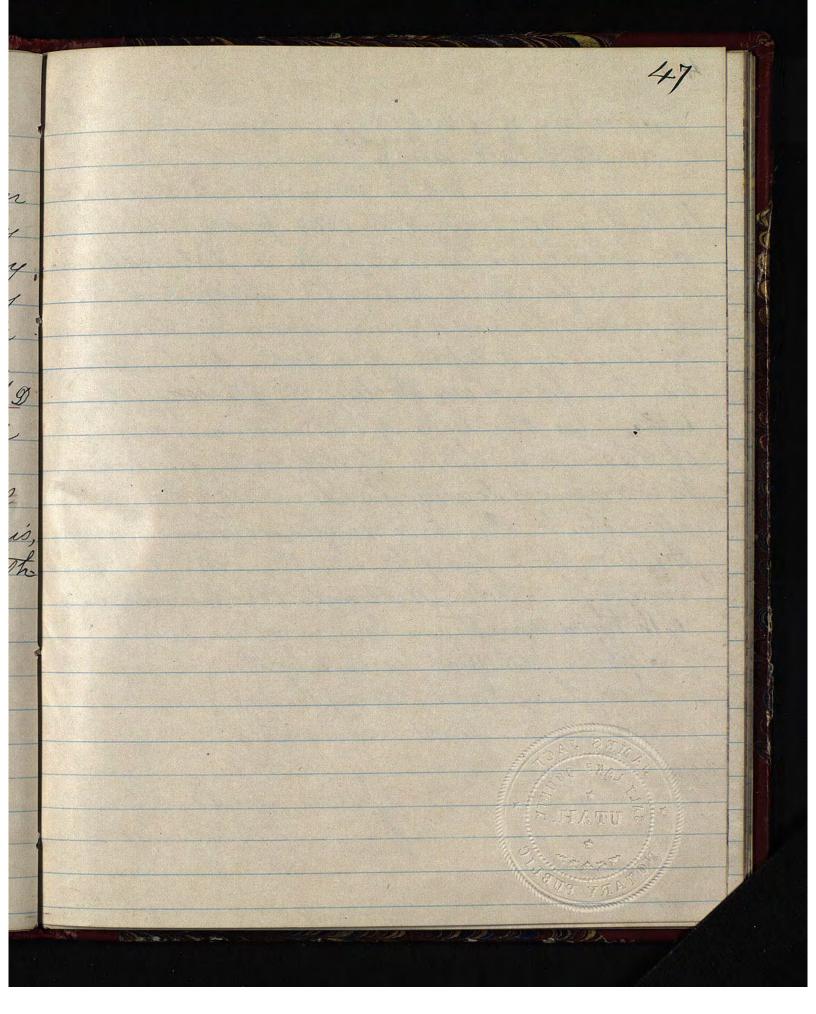
42 Gerritory of Utah \ Ss. bounty of Salt Lake } Be it remembered that on this Sixth day of July A. J. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Publick, in and for Said County, Thomas grover, of Davis County in Said Territory, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith, that the affidavit of David Fullmer taken before fames Jack, a Notary Tub-lich in and for Salt Lake bounty, on the fifteen: the day of June A. D. 1869 is true and correct. and the Said Thomas frover further saith that Hyrum Smith reasoned upon said Revelation for about an hour, clearly explaining the Same, and then enfained it upon said Cauncil to receive and acknowledge the Same or they would be damned, and further from the day that Min Marks, A. A. Cowles & L. Soby refused to receive said Revelation as from Jud, They con: Timed to dwindle until They apostatized Subscribed & Sworn to by the Said Zohos. nover Thos forwarthe day & year first above written? James Jack

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44 Territory of What Ist. Be it remembered that on This Lixth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, fames Jack, a Notary-public in and for Said County, Thomas Grover, of Davis County in Said Territory, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith that on the day of August A. D. 1843 Hoyoum Smith, Patriarch Sealed or married to him by order of President Joseph Smith two wires vij. baro = line Whiting and Caroline &. Hubbard accor. ding to the principle and commandment Contained in the Revelation on belestial mama: ge, given July, 12 th. A. D. 1843. Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Thomas Grover the day This Four and year first above written) James Jacks Artony Bublie

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46 Gerritory of Utah \ Ss. Be it remembered that on this tenth day of July A. D. 1869, personally appeared before me fames Jack, a totary Public, in and for Said bounty, Mary Ann young, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath saith, that on the day of A.D. 184, She was married or sealed for time and eternity to President Brigham Young, by The Tatriarch Hyrum Smith in the town of Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, in the presence of the Prophet Jaseph Smith Mary Am young Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Mary Ann Youngthe day and year first above written) James Jack Notary Public



48 Territory of Utah? SS. Be it remembered that on this tenth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appear ed before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County, Lucy Ann D. Maung, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the fourteenth day of June A.D. 1842, in the bety of Nauvoo, County, of Hancock, State of Illinois, the was married or Sealed for time and for all Eternity to Prest. Brigham young, by the Prophet Jaseph Smith, in the fires: ence of Elder Willard Richards, one of the twelve sportles. Lucy Ann. D. Foung. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Lucy Am D. Young the day and year first above written) James Gack Motory Public

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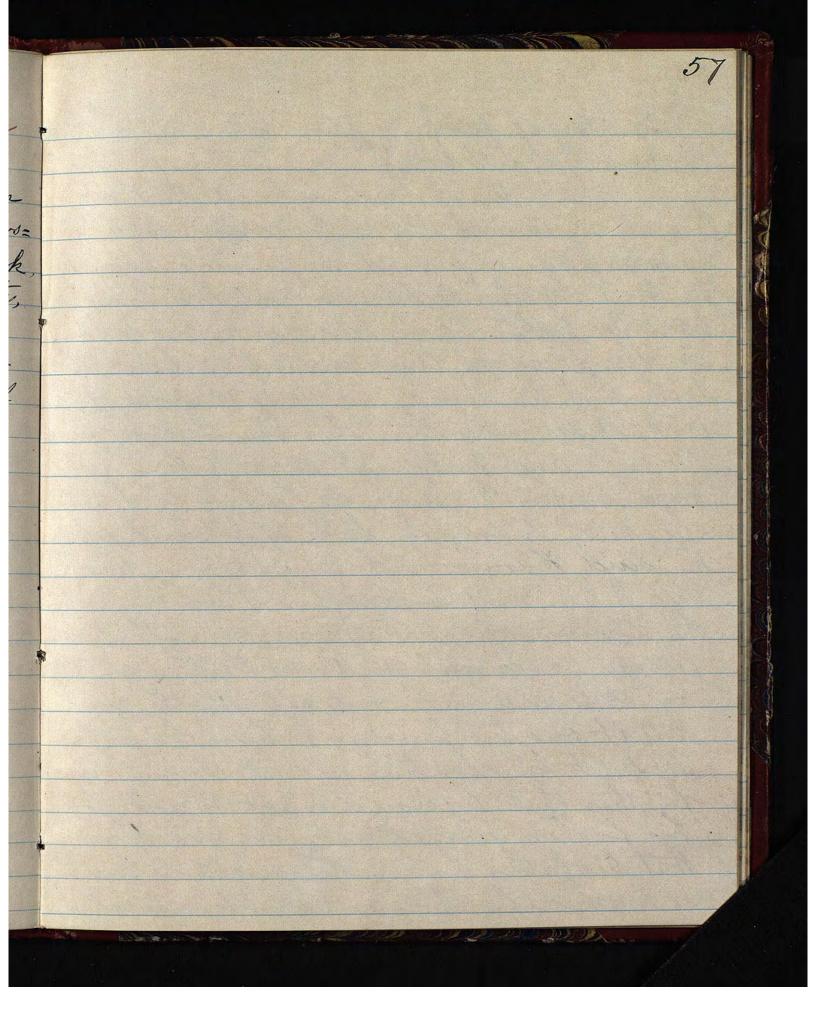
Gerritory of Utah 3ss. Be it remembered that on this twelfth day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notan Public in and for Said County, Augusta (Adams) young who was by me Sworn in due form of law and whom her oath Soith that on the Second day of November A. D. 1843, in the bety of Nauver, bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or sealed for time and all eternity to Prest. Brigham young, by the Prophet Juseph Smith in the presence of Mary Am Young, Janny Murray and Harriet book Subscribed and Swom to by the Said Augusta (Adams) young The day and year first above written James Jack Intary Public

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Territory of Utah 3 ss. Be it remembered that on this twelfth day of July A. D. 1869 personally Public in and for Said County Augusta (Adams) young who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that on the Second day of November A. D. 1843 in the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, Shewas a withers to the marriage or Sealing of temy Murray to President Jaseph Smith, by President Brigham Jaung. Mary Ann Young and Harriet book, being present. Subscribed and sworn to by the Said Augusta Adams Young the & Augusta A young day and year first above witten day and year first above written James Jack Notary Publie

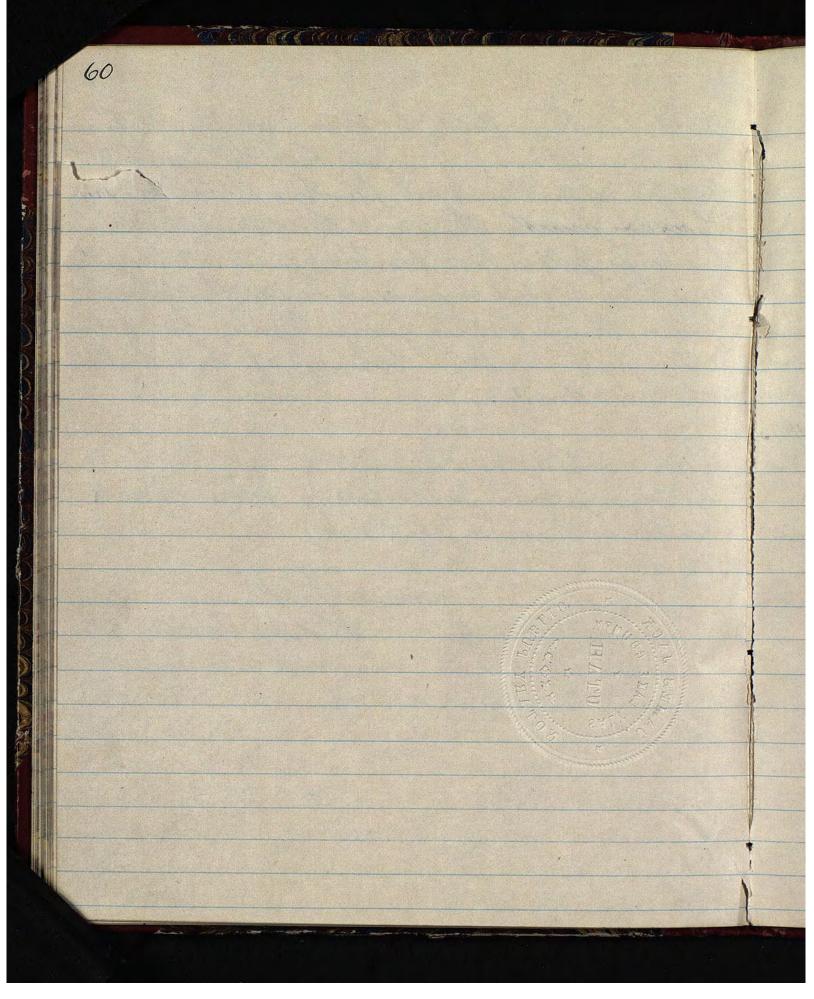
54 Territory of Wtah ? ss. Be it remembered that on this twelfth day July A. D. 1869. personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Charles be, Rich, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath shith that on the day of May 1844 as he was about Starting on a mission to the State of Mechigan, Hyrum Smith, Patriarch taught him the principle of Tolygamy or blelestial marriage, and told the Said b. 6. Rich that when he Should return from the Said Mission, it would be his priveledge to take other wives. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Charles b. Rich the day and Charles C. Rich year first above written James Jack Public

56 Territory of Wtah) St. Be it remembered that this twentienth day of July A. D. 1869 pers= onally appeared before me, James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County, Vienna Jaques, who was by me Sword in due form of law, and upon her outh Saith, that, on the day of A. S.



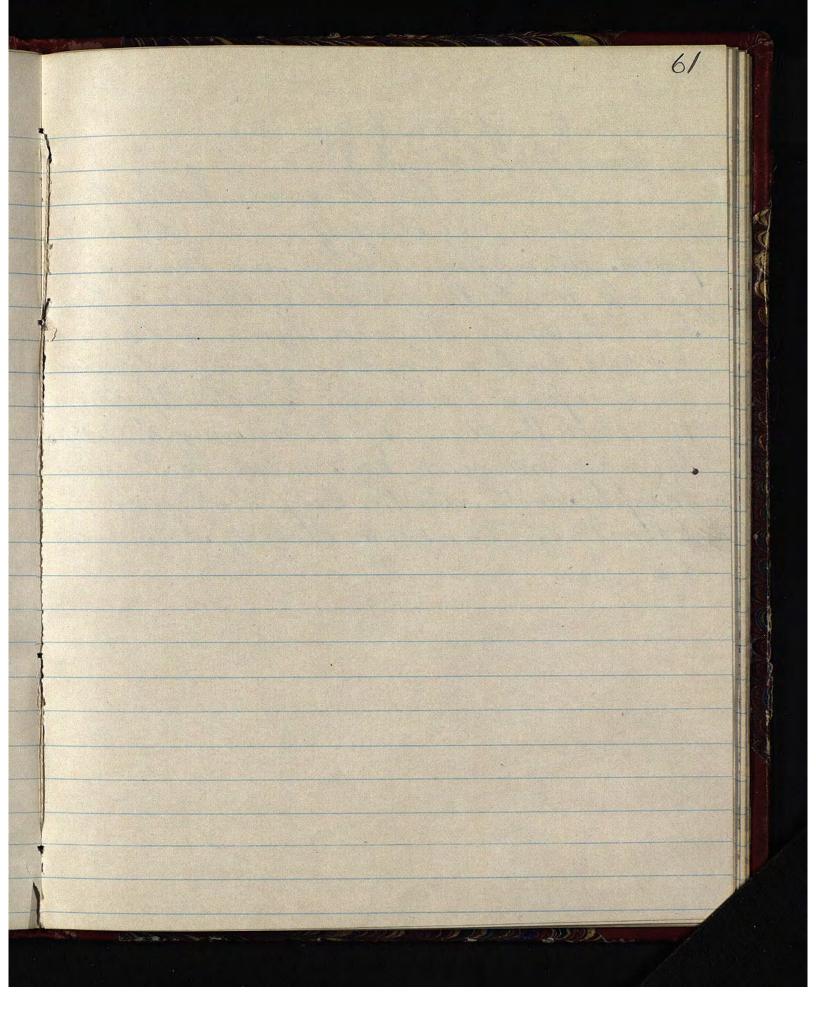
58 Territory of Tetah St. Be it remembered that on this twenty-second day of July A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me fames Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County John Pack, who was by me Swom in due form of law and whon his oath South that on the day of August A.D. 1843 Hyrum Smith, Patrarch, Sent for him his wife and mother, to come to the Said Hyrum Smith's house in the bity of Nanors. County of Hancock, State of Minais, When the Said Hyrum Smith taught him, his wife Julia, and his mother Phylotte Pack the doctrine of Celestial marriage, that all former Covenants and contracts in marriage would be mull and void after death, and that it was his privilege to have his wife Sealed to hime for time and all eternity, and further that he had a right to act for his father, George Tack who was dead, that his father and mother might be Lealed ormanied for time and all Eternity also,

and further that he received the doctrine as a Revelation from God thro' the Prophet Jaseph Smith, and further that the said Hyrum Smith then and there sealed to him his wife Julia (Ives) for time and all eternity, and also sealed or married his mother Phylotte Green, to his father George Jack, he (John) acting for and in behalf of his father who was dead. Subscribed and Swom to the day and year first above & John Pack written by the Said John Pack James Jack Motary Public

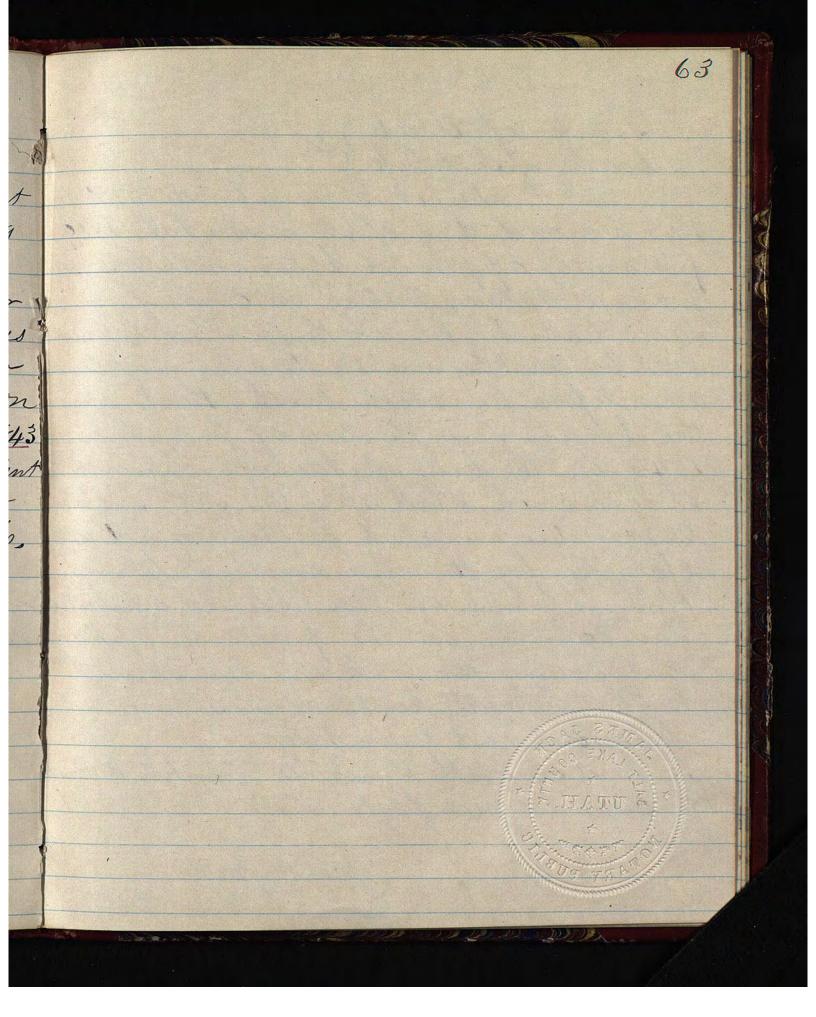


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62 Gerritory of Utah 38. bounty of Salt-Lake 38. Be it remembered that day of personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Tublic in and for Said County Cylvia Lyon, who was by me sworn in due form of law and upon her oath Saith that on the eighth day of February A. S. 1843 She was married or Sealed to President Joseph Smith, in the bity of Nauvoo County of Hancock, State of Illinois,



64 Territory of Utah \ss. Be it remembered that on This Seccond day of August A. S. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Elizabeth B. Fratt who was by me Sworn in due form of law and whom her oath Saith, that on the twenty-fourth day of July A. S. 1843 in the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time and all eternity by Hyrium Smith, Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints, in the presence of Mary Ann young and Mary Ann Fratt, to Parley Fratt Many t. Pratt being sealed at the Samtime Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elizabeth B. Pratt Elizabeth B Brati The day and year first written) James Jack notary Public

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66 Territory of Utah }88. Be it remembered that on This Sixth day of August A. I. 1869 personally appea = red before me, James Jack a Notary Jublic in and for said bounty, Mary Ellen (Abel) Rimball, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith, that on the day of A.D. 1844, at the bity of Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was present, and a witness to the marriage or Sealing of Catherine Claw. Son, to Howard Egan (who already had onewife) by Hyrum Smith, Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Mary Ellen (Abel) Kimball & Mury Ellen Kimball The day and year first above writer James Jack Instary Public

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68 Gerritory of Utah Sounty of Salt Lake Ss Be it remembered that on this ninth day of August A. D. 1869 personally appear. ed before me James Jack, a Sotary Public, in and for Said county, Lucy W. Kimball who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath saith that on the first day of May A. D. 1843, in the bety of Nauvor, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time and all etemety to the Prophet Jaseph Smith, by William Clayton, a High Freast in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; in The Presence of Olija Maria Partridge. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Subscribed and sworn to by the Say W. Kimball and year first above written) James Jack Motary Public

The following extract is taken from William belay ton's Jaurnal as pr. date. tris May 1st. (1843) A. M. at the Temple, at 10. married Joseph to Lucy Walker, P. M. at Frest, Joseph's, he is gon outwith Woodworth, he borrowed £20 of William Allen. I took Supper with him. President paid £ 20 to Woodworth for Nauvoo House." The above is a true copy of entry (as for. date) in William Claytons Juumal kept & im written at the line, as witnesseth our hands us Joseph F. Smith John Henry Smith John Mmith 2 Aug. 9th. 1869 } Salt Lake City } 1 8, 36 B, Smith

The following is an extract from Elder William Claytons Journal, as for. date. Wednesday Aug. 16th. 1843- This a.m. Joseph told Me that Since Emma came back from St. Lowis, She had resisted the principle [of plural marage] in toto, and he had to tell her he would relinquish all for her Sake. The Said She would give him bliza and brilly Tartridge, but he knew if he took them she would pitch on him, and obtain a divorce and leave him. He however told me he should not relinquish any thing. "O, God deliver thy Servant from (this) iniquitous bondage!" The forgoing is a true and correct copy of entry (as pr. date) in William Clayton's Journal kep daily at that time, as witnesseth our hands. Salt-Lake City Joseph F. Smith Aug. 17 th. 1869 John Henry Smith Robt L. Campbell

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Territory of Utale 38. Be it remembered that on this twenty-fourth day of Aug. A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Amos Fielding, who was by me Sworn in due form of law and on oath Saith, that in December A.D. 1843, on his arrival at Nauvoo from a mission to England, he was informed that The Prophet had obtained a Revelation on belestial Marriage and on or about the 9th of March A. D. 1844 while in conversation with Jaseph Smith at the Man-Sion, a young lady passed through the room where they were litting, when Prest. Smith remar: Red, "that is one of my wives". and further on The 24 day of Feb. A.S. 1844, agreeabl to the express. ed wish of Frest Joseph Smith he did volunteer to go west, on the oregon and balifornia exploring Expedition. Amos Fielding Subscribed and sworn to by The Sand Amas Fielding the day & year first above written) James Jack

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74 Territory of Utah 388. Be it remembered that on this Thirtieth day of August A. S. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack, a Notary Public in and for Said County, Elijabeth Ann Whitney, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath Saith that, on the twenty- Seventh day of July A.D. 1842, at the bity of Nauvos, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was present and witnessed the marrying or Sealing of her daughter Sarah Ann Whitney to the Prophet Joseph Smith, for time and all eternity, by her husband Newel & Whitney then presiding Bishop of The Church. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elithofm Whitney the & C. A. Whitney day and year first above written) James Jack Notary Public

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76 Territory of Tetah 38. Be it remembered that on this twenty-eighth day of August A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said County, John Benbow, who was by me Sworn in due form of law, and upon his oath Saith that in the Spring or fore part of the Summer of 1843, at his house, four miles from Nauvoo County of Hancock, State of Illinois, President Joseph Smith taught him and his wife Jane Benbow the Doctorne of Celestial Marriage or plurality of wives, Hyrum South being present. and further that Hannah Ells Smith, a wife of the Prophet, bourded at his house two months during the Summer of The Same year. and the Said Hannah E. Smith also lived at his house several months in 1844 after The Prophets death. and further that Frest. Smith frequently visited his wife Kannahathis hours Subscribed and Sworn to by the John Benteov Said John Benbow the day Vyear James Jack notay Public first written

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78 Gerritory of tetah } ss. Be it remembered that on this twenty-eighth day of August A. D. 1869 person. ally appeared before me James Jack a notary Public, in and for Said County Nathan Janner who was by me Swork in due form of law, and upon his outh Saith that in the Spring of 1844 at Mout. Jaseph Smith, while in Conversation with hunself, Harrison Sagers, Daniels & others, teach the doctrine of Celestial Mar. eage or plurality of wives. And Subseque ently he heard the Prophet teach the doctrine publicly from the Stand in Nauvos. in a manner that he perfectly understood not only that the Prophet believed it, but that it was on force at that time. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Nathan Tanner (Nathan James ... the day and Jear first written) James Jack Motary Suble

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80 Territory of Utah \ 88. Be it remembered that on This twenty-eighth day of August A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me, James Jack a Notary Public, in and for Said County, Elvira A. C. Holmes, who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon heroath South, that on the first day of fune A. S. 1843. at H. b. Kimball's house, in the bity of Nauvos, bounty of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or Sealed for time and all Eternity to President Joseph Smith, by Elder Hebert. Rimball in the presence of Vilate Kimball, and Eliza Mariah (Partridge) Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Elvira A. C. Holmes The Chira A & Holmes day and year first above written) James Jack Actour Public

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ELVIRA A. COWLES

"The Wasp" for Dec. 10, 1842, states that Johnathan H. Holmes married Elvira A. Cowles Dec. 1, 1842 at Nauvoo by Joseph Smith.

In her own affidavit she says she was married or sealed to Joseph Smith June 1, 1843, by Heber C. Kimball.

"Times & Seasons," Vol. 4, p. 287, states that Elvira A. Holmes was an officer in the Relief Society; no Goubt, this was Elvira A. Cowles Holmes.

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82 Gerritory of Utah \ 88. Be it remembered that on this Seventh day of September A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Jublic in and for Said county Sarah Terry Teak Kimball who was by me Swom in due form of law, and upon heroath Saith that Fresident Joseph Smith personally taught her the doctrine of a plurality of wives, and that, on the day of A. D. 1842, at the bity of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, State of Illinois, She was married or sealed for time and all eternity to Heber b. Kimball, by President Joseph Smith, in the presence of Fresident Brigham (young. Subscribed and Swornto by the Said Sarah Perry Teak Kimball & Sarah & P. Himbel the day and and year first written) James Jack Motary Public

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84 Territory of Wah 388. Be if remembered that on this Second day of October A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me I, John Nuttall, County clerk of Said, County, James Allred, who was by me duly Sworn and upon his oath Saith, that, he was present at the High Council, on or about the hvelfth day of August A. D. 1843, held in Hyoun South's Brick Office in Nauvoo Hancock Illinois, When Hyrum Smith read the Revelation on Celestial Marriage to Said High Cauncil, and enfound it whom them to manifest their willing. ness to receive or reject the same, at the same time bearing his testimony of its truth. William Marks A. A. Cowles and Leonard Loby were the only members of the Council present, who voted against the Revelation and the Testimony of Hyrum Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said James Allred the day James & Allred and year first above written I fohn Auttall leo ble Attest Mas & Brown

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86 Gerritory of Utah 388, Be it remembered that on this Second day of October A. J. 1869 personally appeared before med John Muttall County blesk of Said County, Haron Johnson who was by one Sworn in due form of law and whon his oath South that he was present at the High Council (being a member thereof) held on or abo the twelfth day of August A. D. 1843, in Hegoum Smith's brick office in the bety of Nauvos County of Hancock State of Illinois, When Hymun Smith presented and read the Revelation o Celestial Marriage, given or dated July melfth 1843. and the affidavits of David Fullmer, Sworn and Subscribed to on the fifteenth day of June 1869. before James Jack, and of Thomas frover dated July light 1869, and also that of James Allred dated October 2nd, 1869, which he has heard read, in my presence are true and correct. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Said Faron Johnson the dayand Faron Johnson year first above written L. John Nuttall be left

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88 Territory of utah? s. bounty of Salt Lake \s. Be it remembered that on this thirteenth day of October A.D. 1869 personally appeared before me James Jack a Notary Public in and for Said county, Bossena Rachel Adams who was by me sworn in due form of law, and upon her oath South that on the eleventh day of July A. D. 1843, at the bity of Nauvor, County of Hancock State of Illinois She was married for time and all eternity to fames Adams (who alread had one wife living) by This= edent Joseph Smith. Subscribed and Sworn to by the Rossena A Adam Said Rossena Rachel Adams The Rossena R Adam day and year first above written) James Jack Molany Public

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